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# X-MEN

## BLUE

DISPLACED IN TIME, THE ORIGINAL X-MEN--MARVEL GIRL, CYCLOPS, BEAST, ICEMAN AND ANGEL--HAVE COME TOGETHER ONCE MORE TO SHOW THE WORLD THAT THOUGH MANY THINGS HAVE CHANGED, ONE CONSTANT REMAINS: THEY ARE THE HEROES THEY WERE ALWAYS MEANT TO BE.

### PREVIOUSLY IN *X-MEN BLUE*...

STEVE ROGERS, A.K.A. CAPTAIN AMERICA, HAS CLAIMED THE UNITED STATES FOR HYDRA. EARTH'S MOST POWERFUL HEROES HAVE BEEN STRANDED BEYOND EARTH'S PLANETARY DEFENSE SHIELD OR TRAPPED INSIDE THE DARKFORCE BUBBLE THAT ENVELOPS MANHATTAN.

IN AN ATTEMPT TO KEEP MUTANTS SAFE, XORN AND EMMA FROST NEGOTIATED WITH HYDRA FOR A SOVEREIGN MUTANT NATION--NEW TIAN IS MEANT TO BE A SAFE HAVEN FOR MUTANTS AND HUMANS, BUT THE UTOPIA IS NOT WHAT IT APPEARS TO BE...JEAN GREY AND HER TEAM FREED UNJUSTLY IMPRISONED MUTANTS TO PROTEST XORN'S REGIME.

THEIR ACTIONS GOT THEM ATTACKED BY NEW TIAN'S STRIKE FORCE, LED BY NONE OTHER THAN HAVOK, SCOTT'S BROTHER. NOW, SCOTT, BOBBY, WARREN AND HANK HAVE BEEN CAPTURED WHILE JEAN AND JIMMY ARE PRESUMED DEAD...

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**MARVEL GIRL**  
JEAN GREY



**CYCLOPS**  
SCOTT SUMMERS



**ANGEL**  
WARREN WORTHINGTON III



**BEAST**  
HANK McCOY

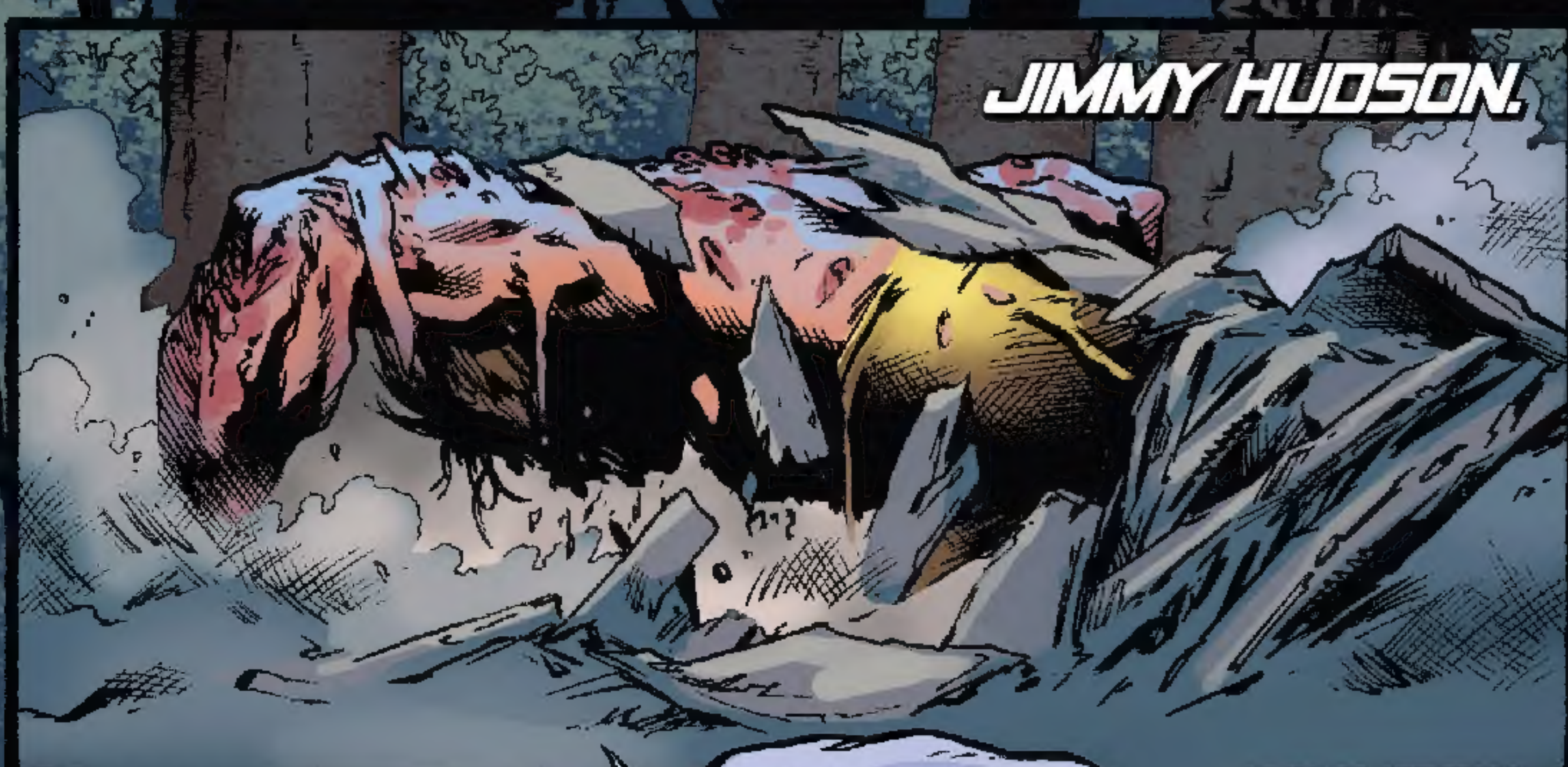
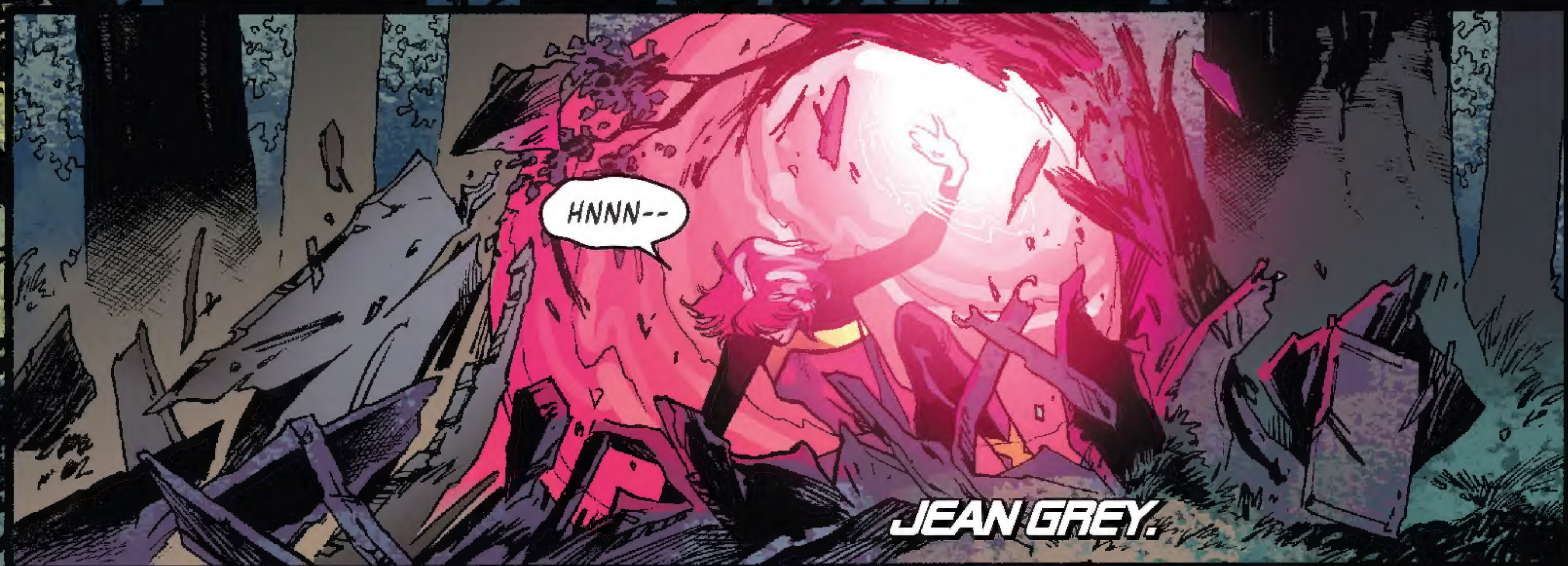
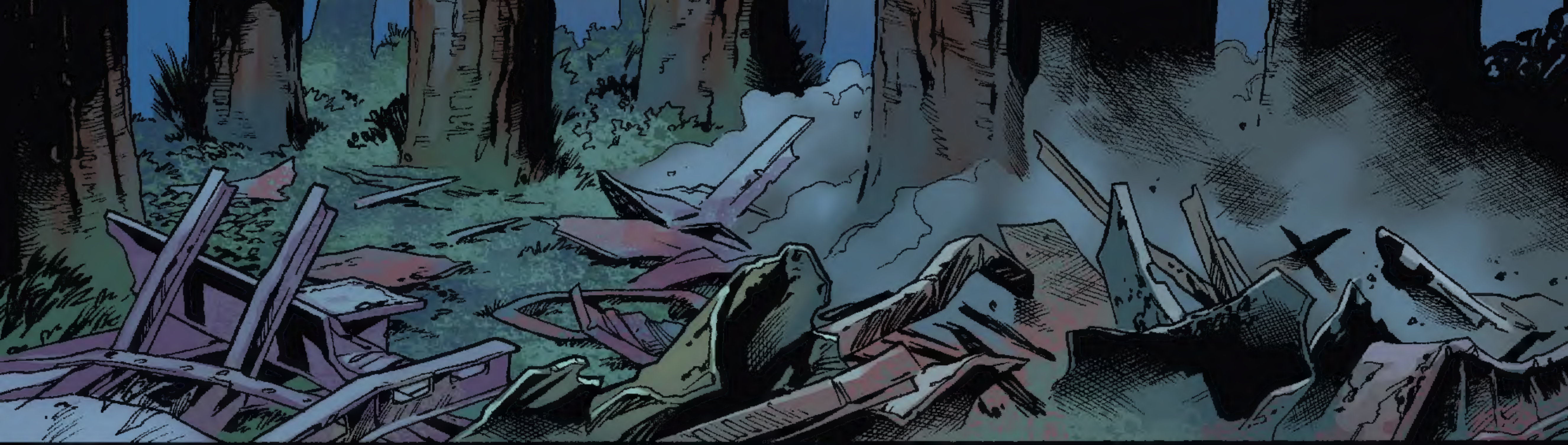


**ICEMAN**  
BOBBY DRAKE



JIMMY HUDSON

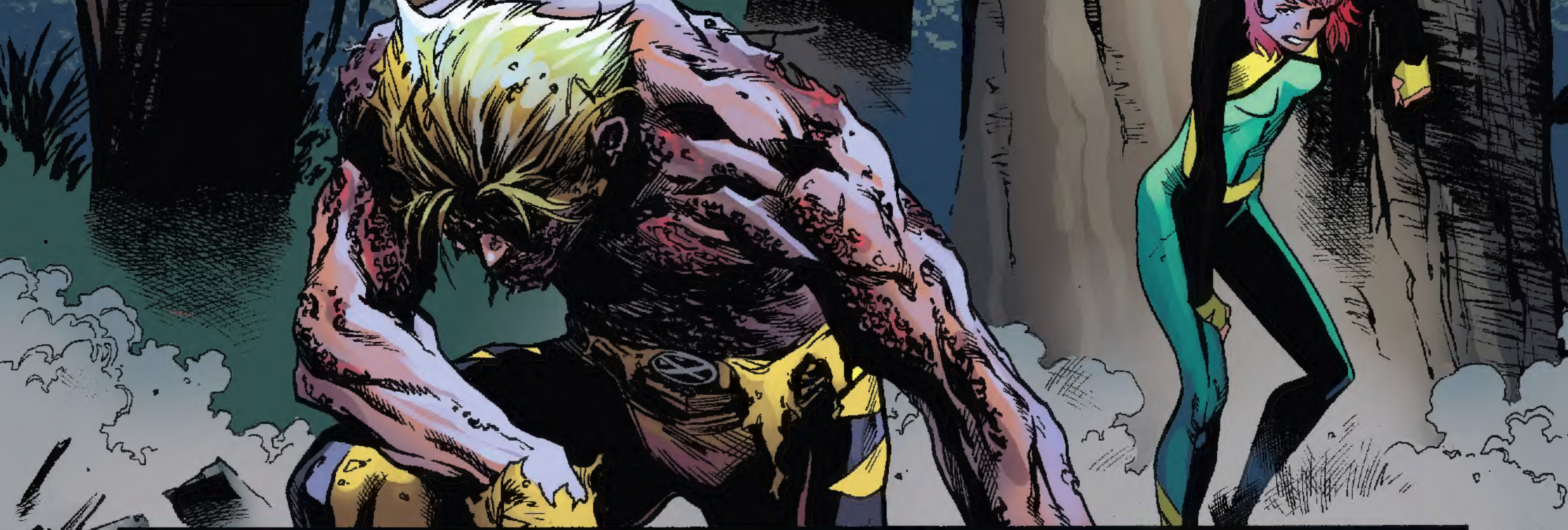




ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

YOU TOOK THE BRUNT OF HAVOK'S ATTACK... MAYBE EVEN MORE SO THAN MY TK SHIELDS.

IS YOUR HEALING--







SORRY.  
YEAH.  
I'M GOOD.



THEY TOOK EVERYONE ELSE...

...PROBABLY WOULD'VE GOTTEN US, TOO...

...IF I HADN'T TELEPATHICALLY MASKED OUR PRESENCE.



GOOD. SO MAYBE THEY WON'T BE EXPECTING US WHEN WE COME KNOCKING.

LET'S HOPE NOT.

SNIKT



SURPRISE IS THE ONLY THING WE'VE GOT GOING FOR US NOW.

...AND HOW WE'RE GOING TO GET THERE.

FIRST THINGS FIRST, WE NEED TO FIGURE OUT WHERE THEY TOOK THE X-MEN...

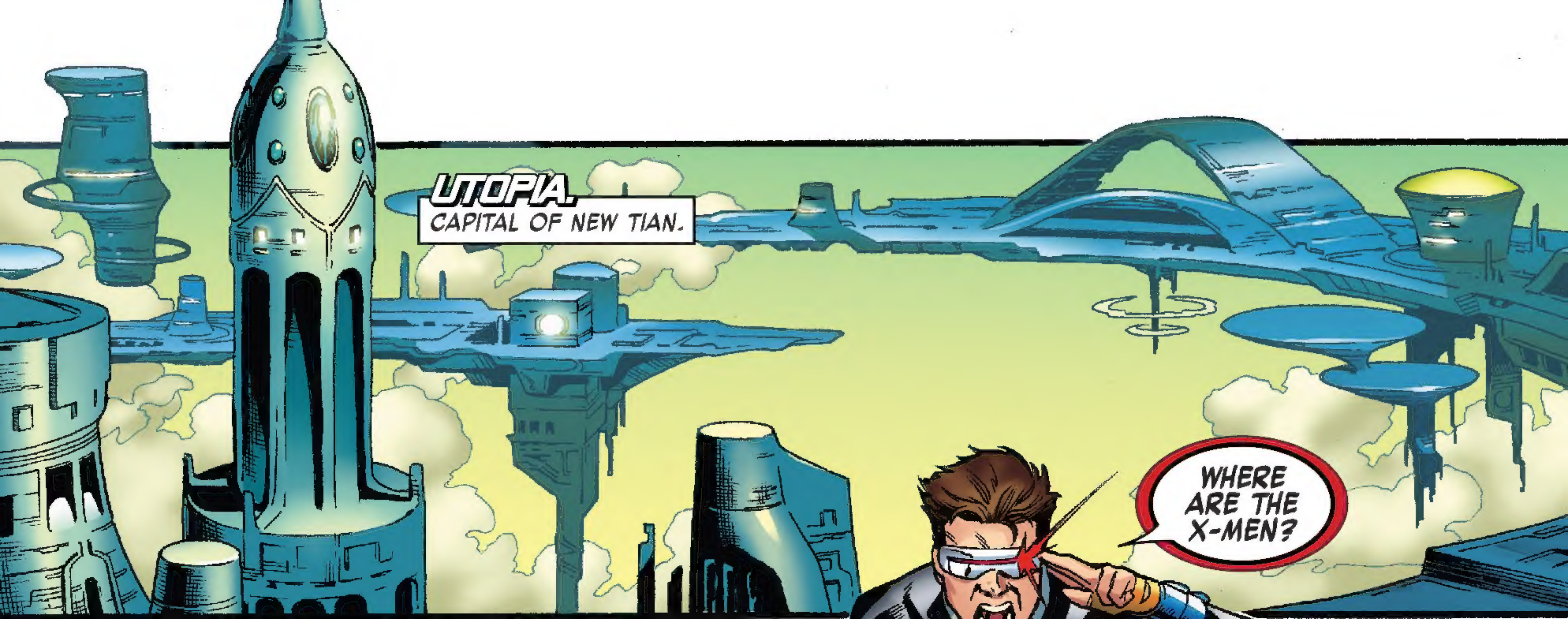
YOUR TRANSPORTATION HAS ALREADY BEEN ARRANGED, MARVEL GIRL.





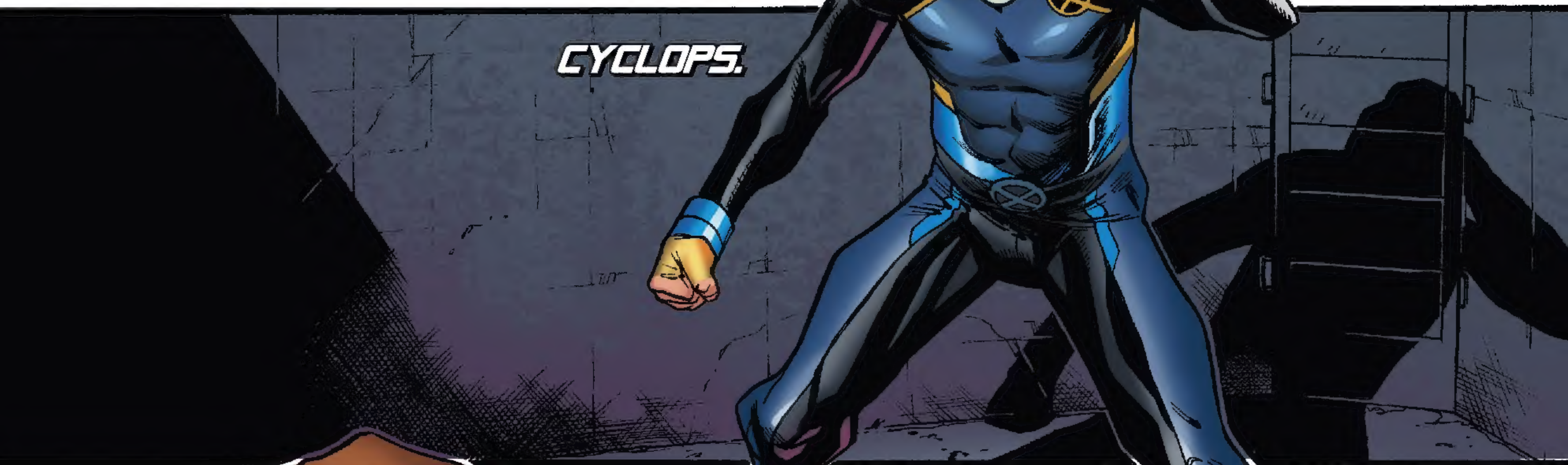






**UTOPIA.**  
CAPITAL OF NEW TIAN.

WHERE  
ARE THE  
X-MEN?



**CYCLOPS.**

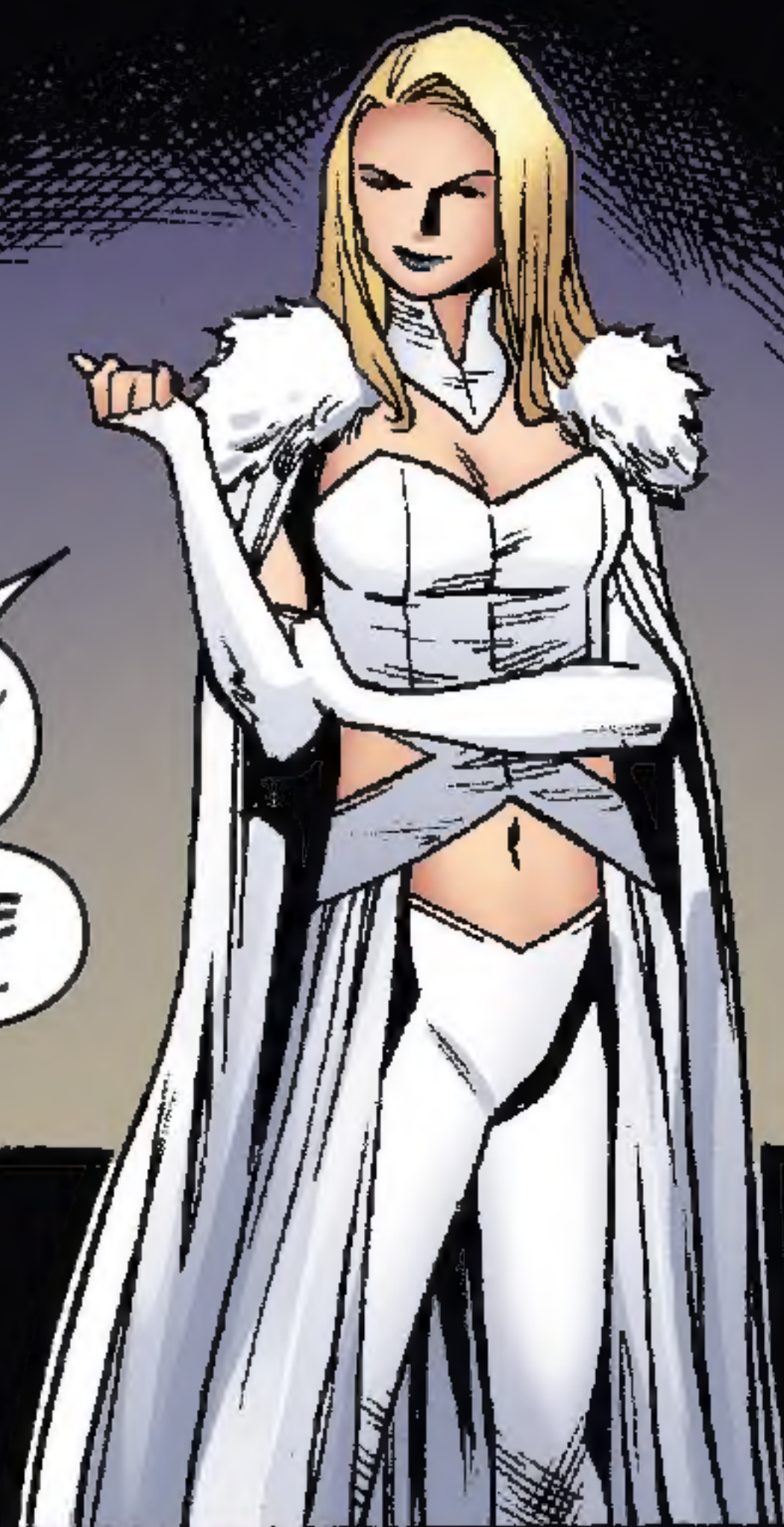


MY...EYE  
BEAMS...WHY  
AREN'T  
THEY...

OOOOH,  
YOU'RE A FEISTY  
ONE, AREN'T  
YOU?

I LIKE  
THAT.

BUT I'M  
AFRAID I HAD  
TO SHUT YOUR  
POWERS  
DOWN.



I CAN'T  
HAVE YOU BLASTING  
AWAY AT THE HOME  
I'VE MADE, NOW  
CAN I?

IF YOU  
LET IT.

AFTER ALL,  
THIS COULD BE  
YOUR HOME,  
TOO.

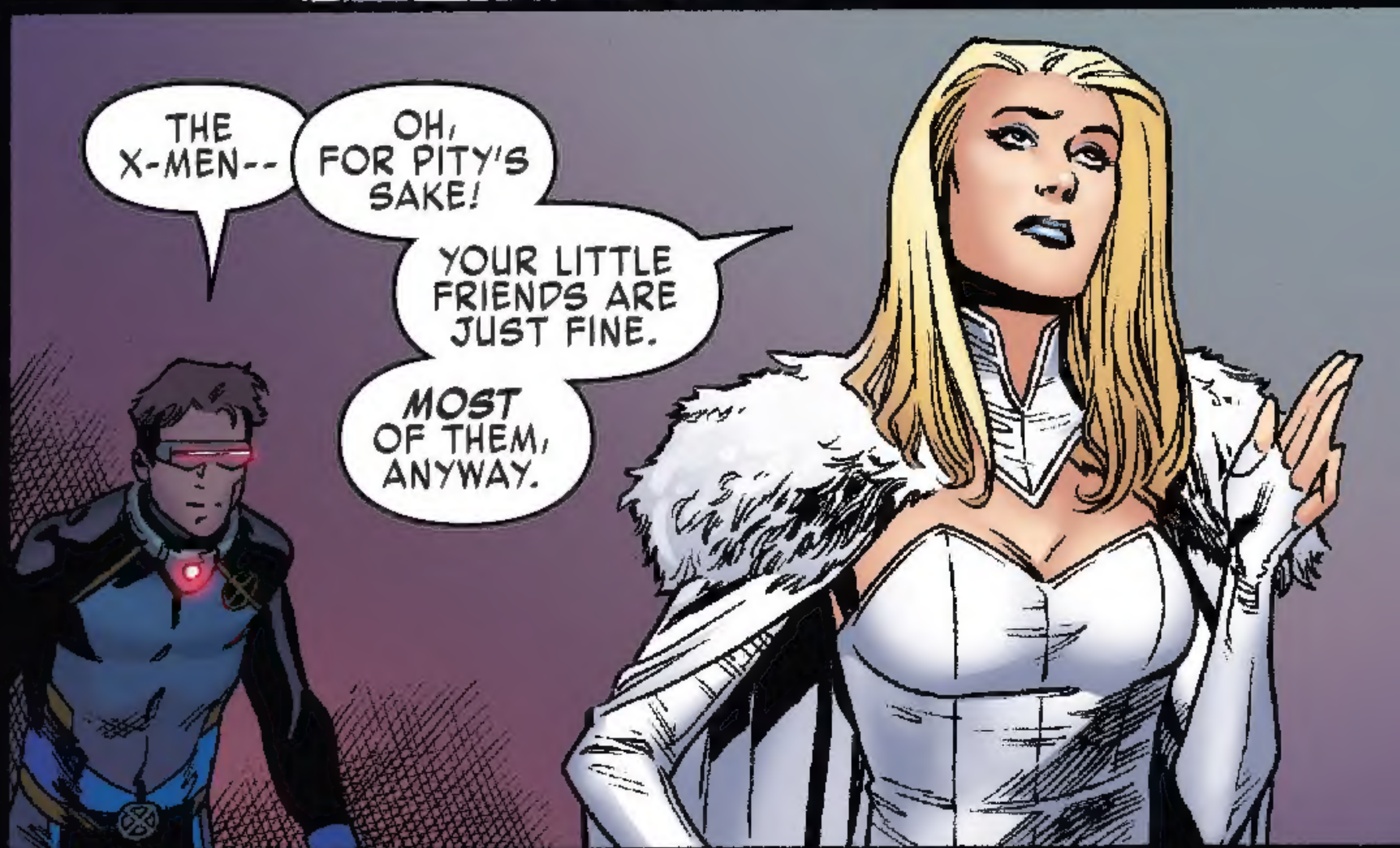


THE  
X-MEN--

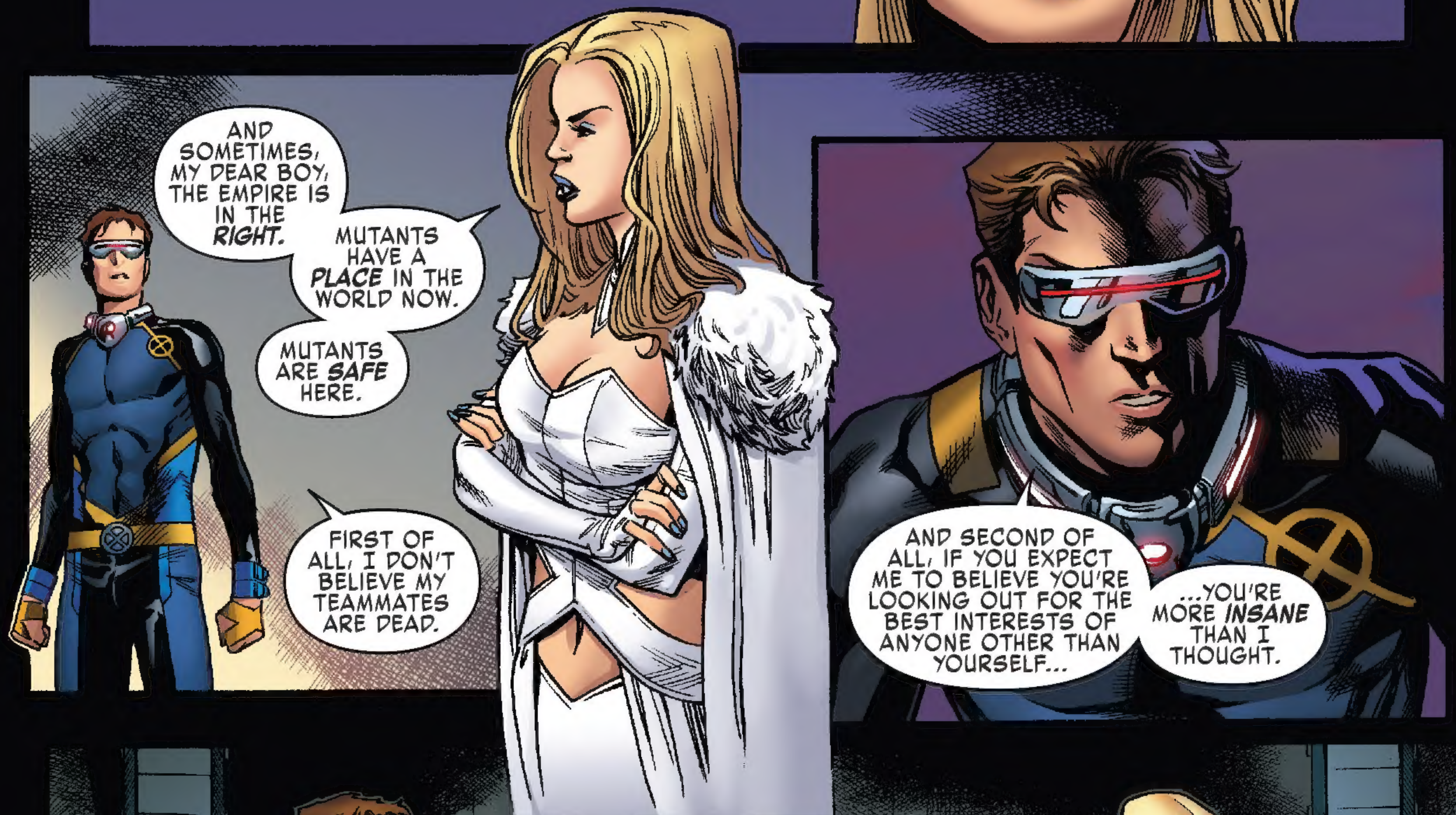
OH,  
FOR PITY'S  
SAKE!

YOUR LITTLE  
FRIENDS ARE  
JUST FINE.

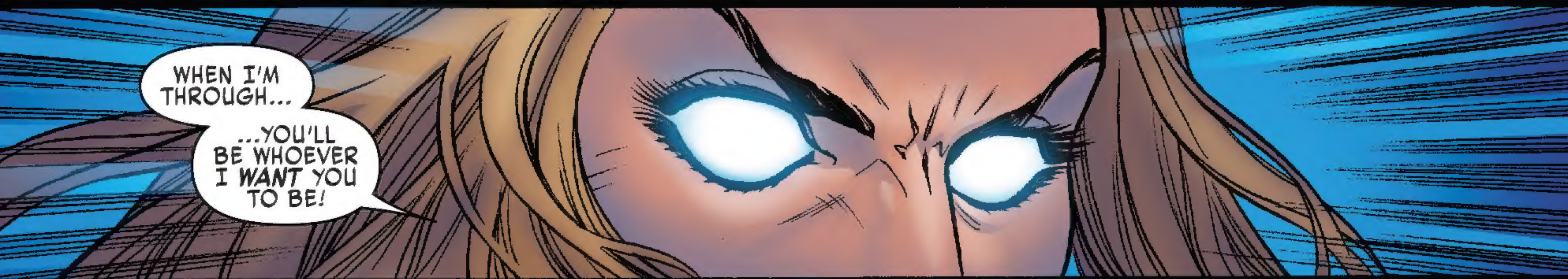
MOST  
OF THEM,  
ANYWAY.











WHEN I'M  
THROUGH...

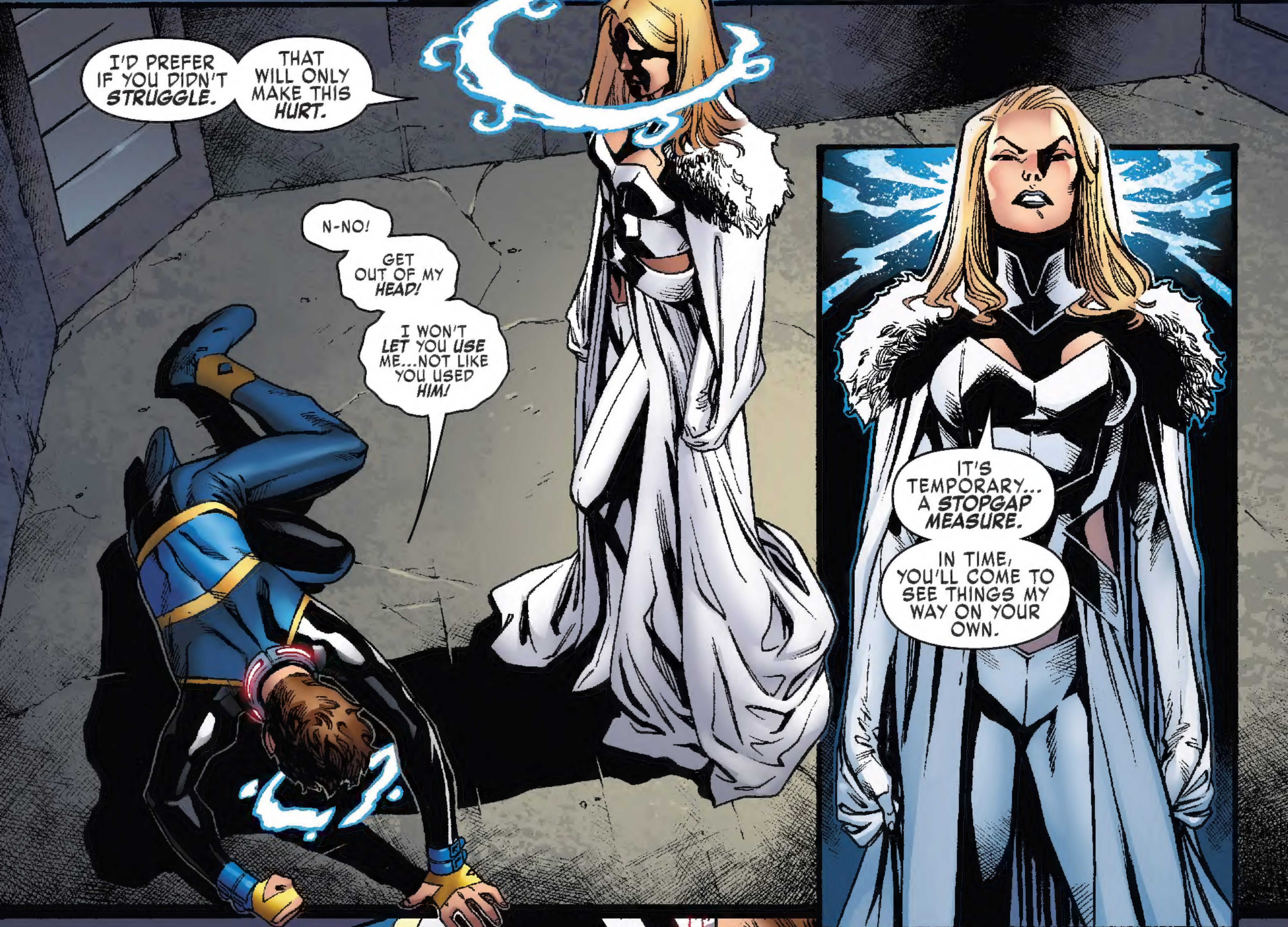
...YOU'LL  
BE WHOEVER  
I WANT YOU  
TO BE!



**NNNAAAAGH!**

I KNOW.  
IT'S  
PAINFUL.

AND I'M  
SORRY FOR  
THAT.



I'D PREFER  
IF YOU DIDN'T  
**STRUGGLE.**

THAT  
WILL ONLY  
MAKE THIS  
HURT.

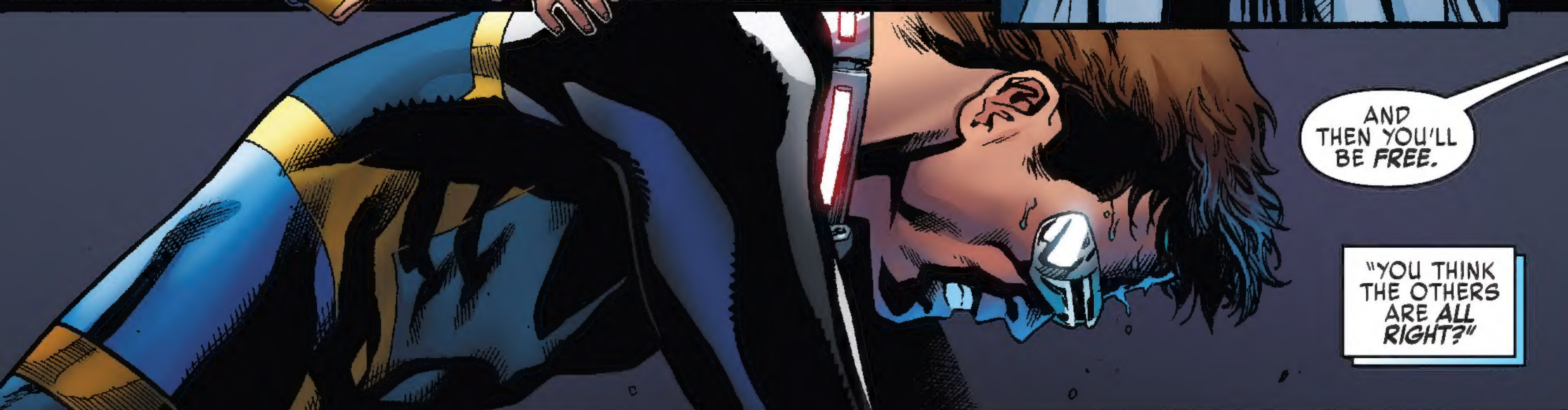
N-NO!

GET  
OUT OF MY  
HEAD!

I WON'T  
LET YOU **USE**  
ME...NOT LIKE  
YOU USED  
**HIM!**

IT'S  
TEMPORARY...  
A **STOPGAP**  
MEASURE.

IN TIME,  
YOU'LL COME TO  
SEE THINGS MY  
WAY ON YOUR  
OWN.



AND  
THEN YOU'LL  
BE **FREE.**

"YOU THINK  
THE OTHERS  
ARE **ALL**  
RIGHT?"





SCOTT  
AND JEAN AND  
JIMMY...EVEN  
BRIAR...

...WHAT  
DO YOU THINK  
HAPPENED TO  
THEM?

**ICEMAN.**

**ANGEL.**

I'M  
NOT SURE,  
BOBBY.

**BEAST.**

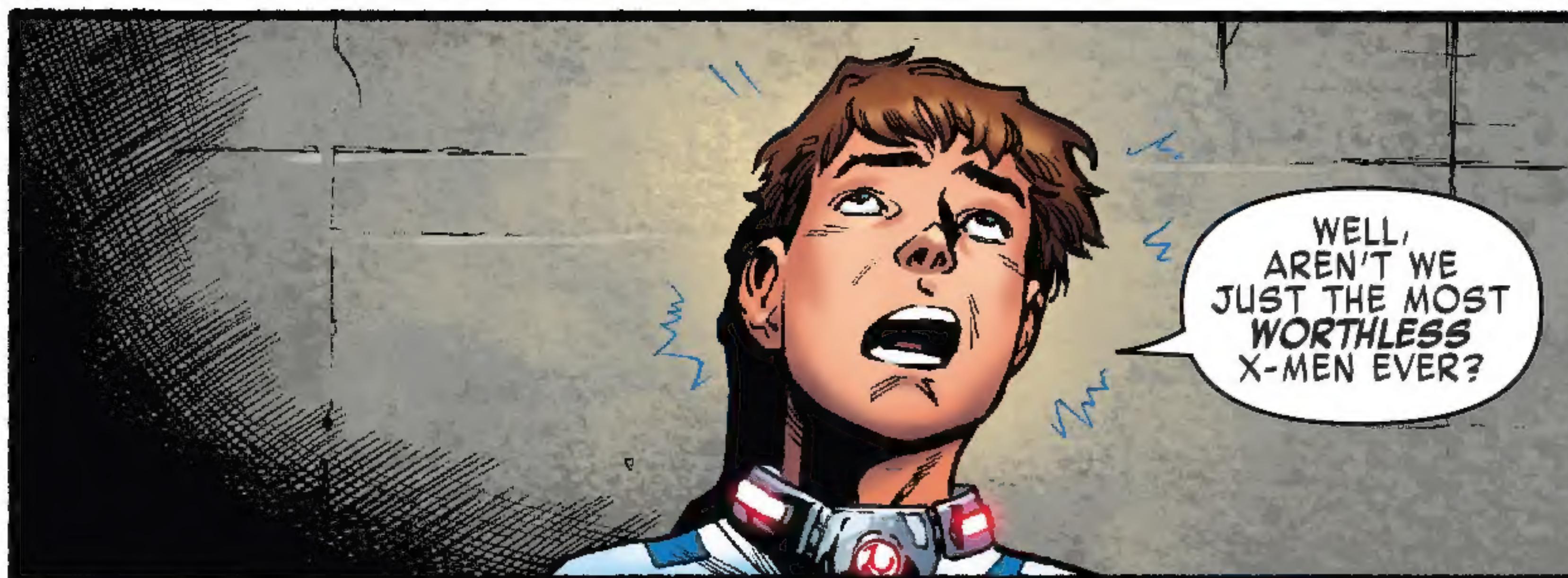


YOU'RE  
A JUNIOR  
SORCERER,  
HANK.

CAN'T YOU  
WORK SOME  
SPELL TO GET  
US OUT OF  
HERE?

NO.

I'M AFRAID  
THESE POWER  
DAMPENERS  
PROHIBIT  
SPELLCRAFT,  
TOO.



WELL,  
AREN'T WE  
JUST THE MOST  
**WORTHLESS**  
X-MEN EVER?



DON'T  
SAY  
THAT.

THEY  
TOOK US  
BY SURPRISE...  
SOME OF THOSE  
MUTANTS HAD  
UNEXPECTED  
POWERS...

...SECONDARY  
MUTATIONS.

YEAH.

WHAT  
WAS THAT ALL  
ABOUT?



WHAT  
ABOUT  
IT, **BIG**  
BRAIN?

ANY  
THEORIES  
ABOUT THESE  
WEIRD MUTANT  
POWERS?

TOAD HAD  
A FLAME  
TONGUE!

I DON'T  
KNOW,  
BOBBY.





WE'LL BE  
OKAY.

SOMEONE  
IS GOING TO  
COME LOOKING  
FOR US.

MAGNETO  
WILL COME  
LOOKING  
FOR US.

YOU DON'T  
REALLY BELIEVE  
THAT, DO YOU,  
WARREN?



HE'S NOT  
GOING TO STICK  
HIS HEAD OUT OF  
THE SAND FOR  
US.

IF THAT WAS  
A POSSIBILITY,  
DON'T YOU THINK HE  
WOULD HAVE DONE  
**SOMETHING** BY  
NOW?

HE'S JUST  
SITTING BACK,  
LETTING **HYDRA** AND  
THE **WHITE QUEEN**  
AND WHOEVER ELSE  
TAKE OVER THE  
**WORLD!**



FACE IT,  
FLY-BOY.

EVERYBODY  
HAS PRIORITIES...  
AND THAT MEANS  
SOMETIMES THEY  
PRIORITIZE  
**RELATIONSHIPS**,  
TOO.

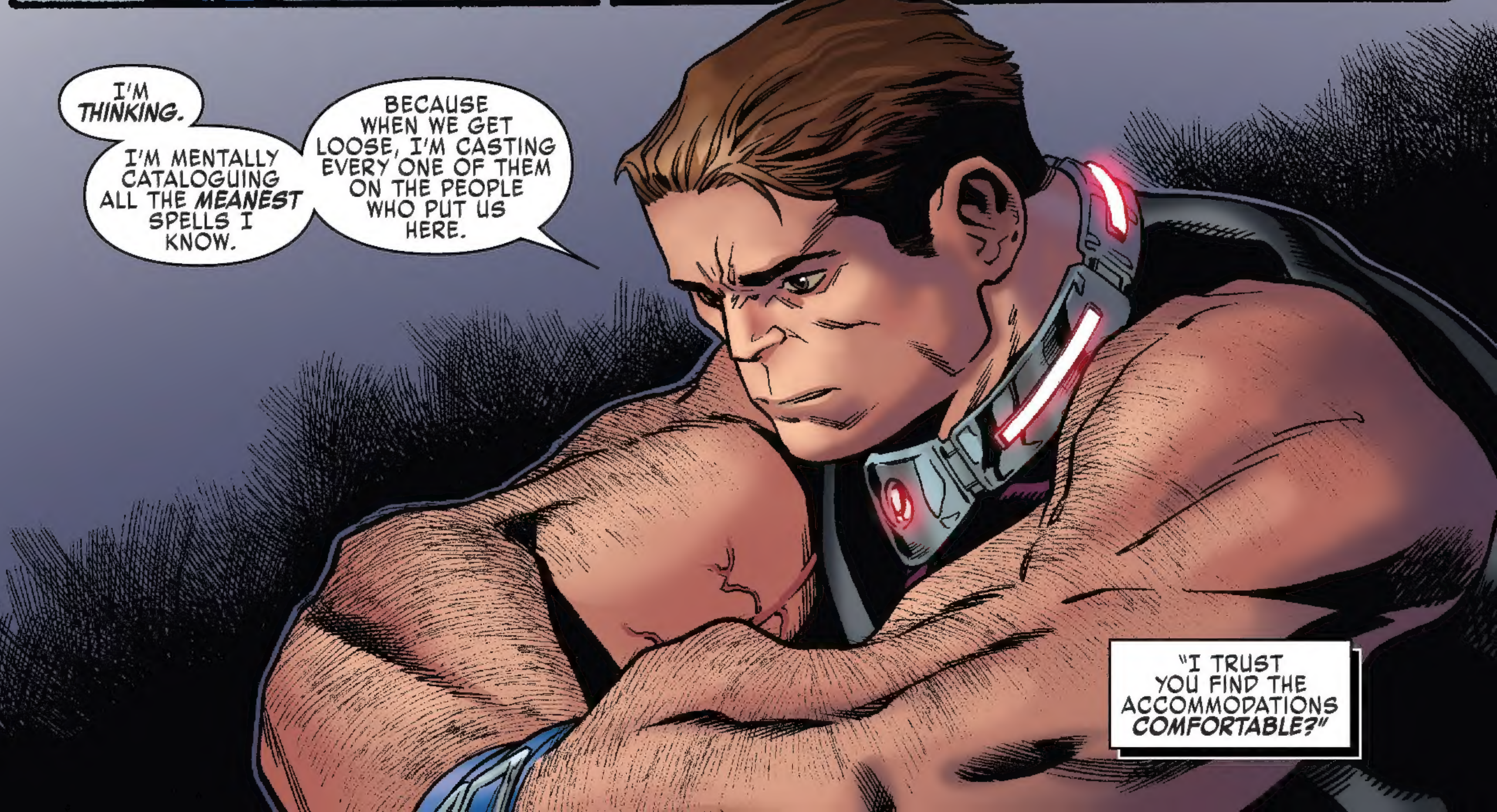
AND  
SOMETIMES,  
YOU JUST  
DON'T RANK.



HANK?  
YOU WANT TO  
HELP ME OUT  
HERE?

WHAT  
ARE YOU  
DOING?

WHAT  
ARE YOU  
LOOKING  
AT?



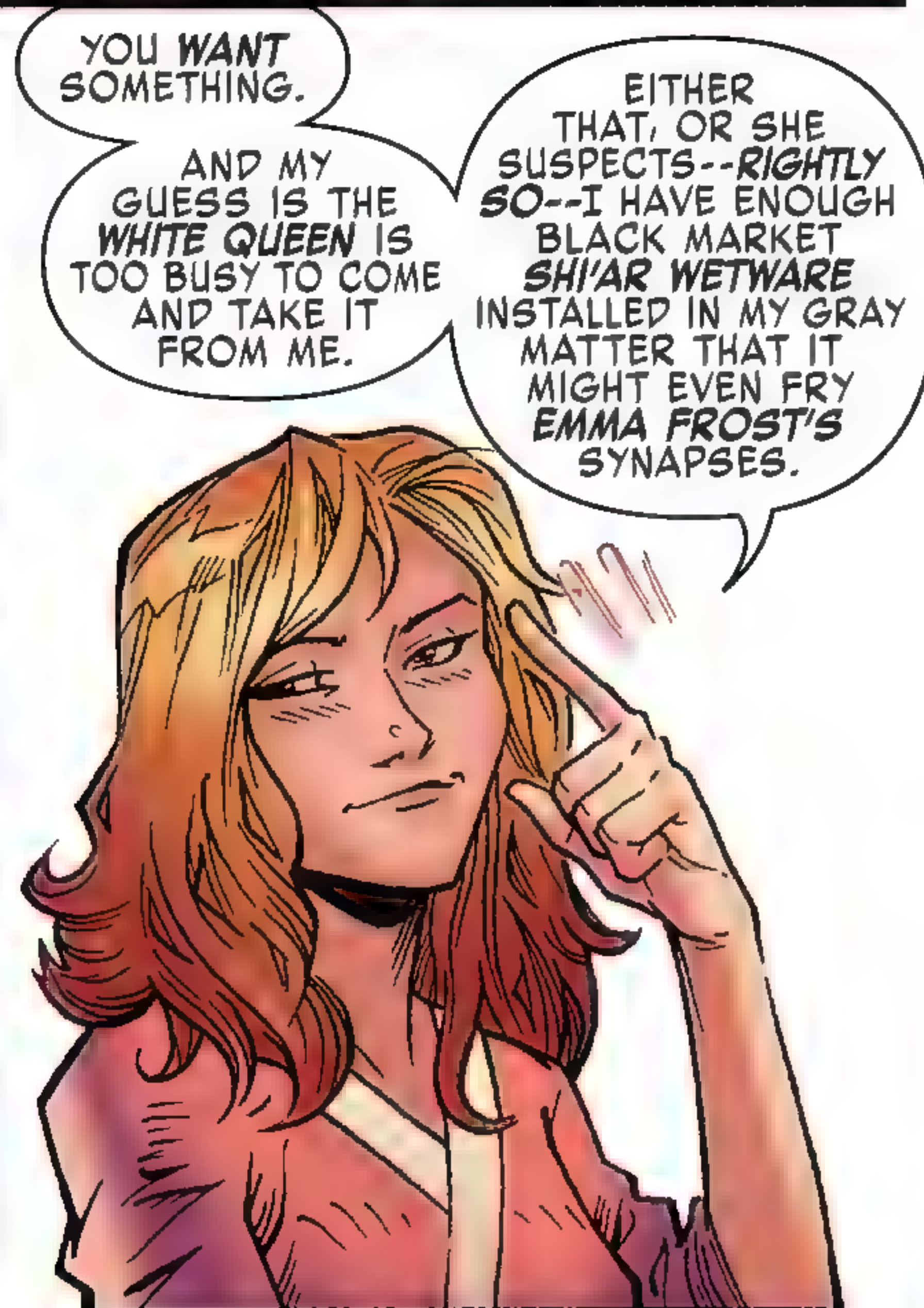
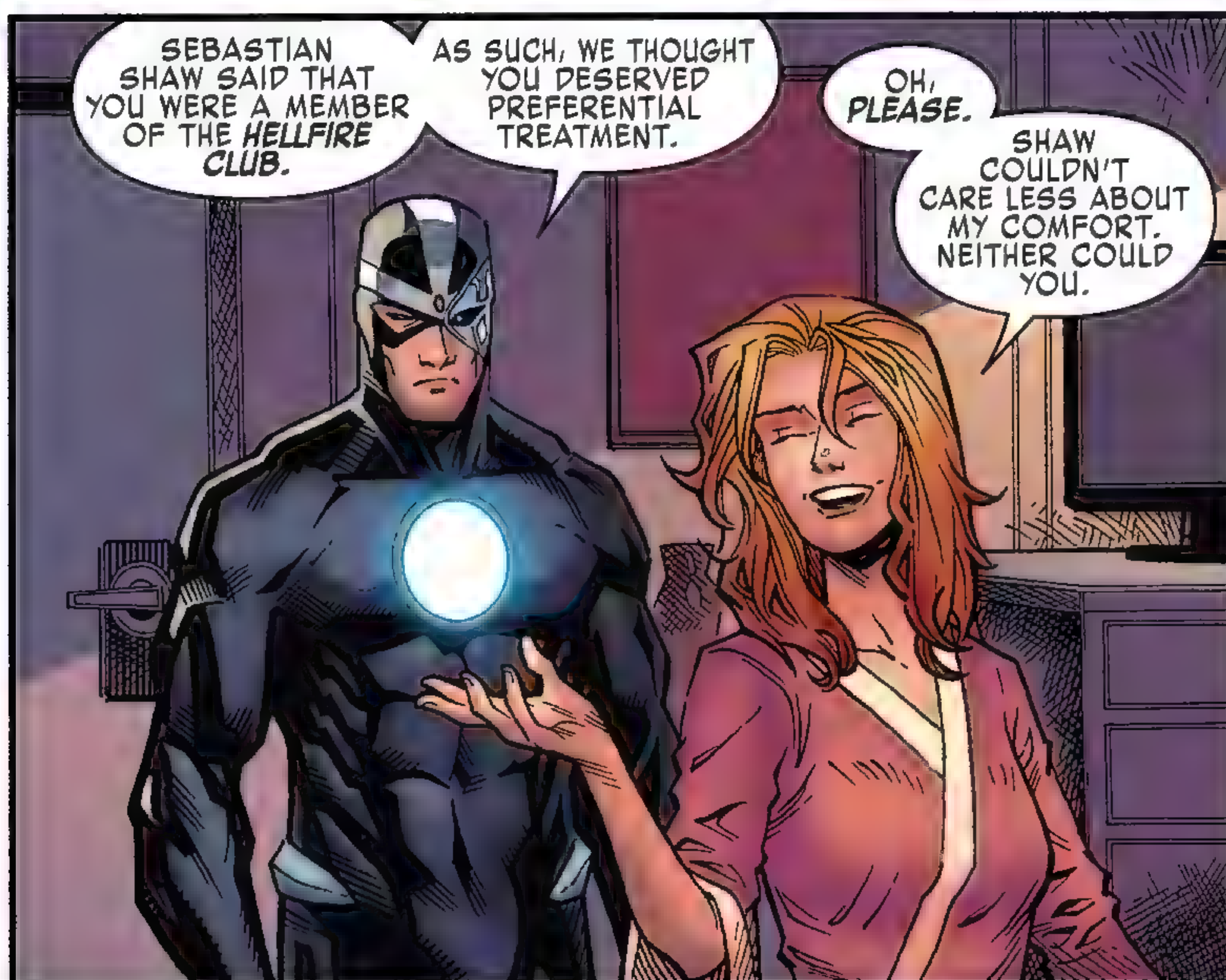
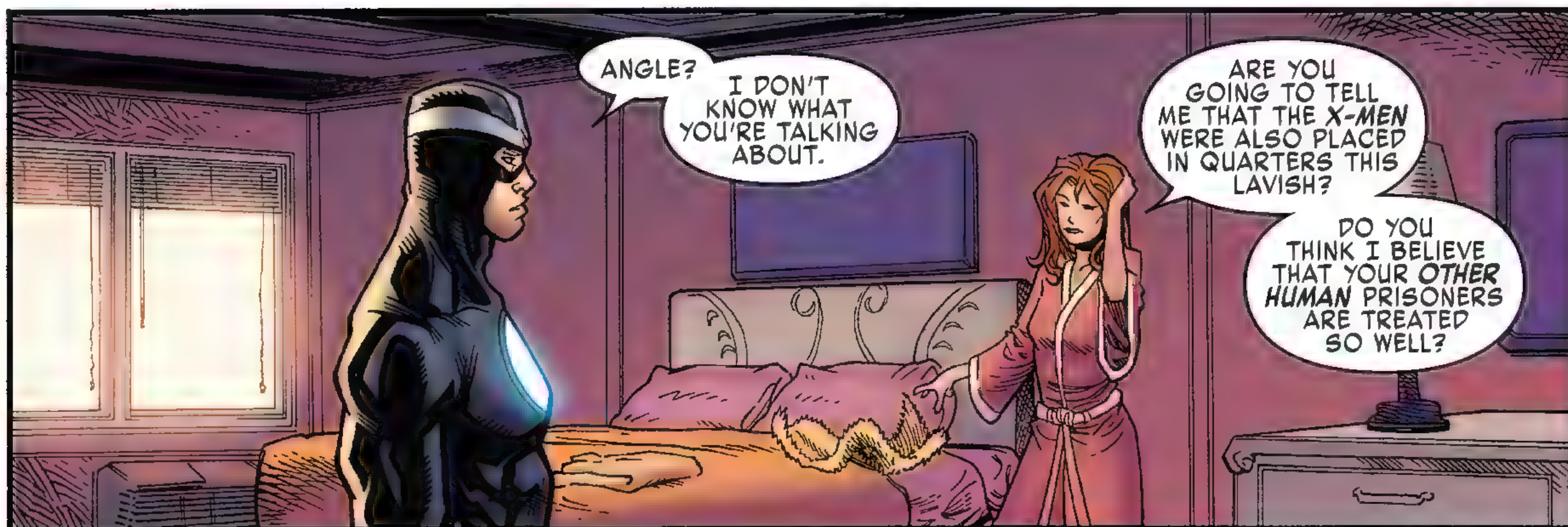
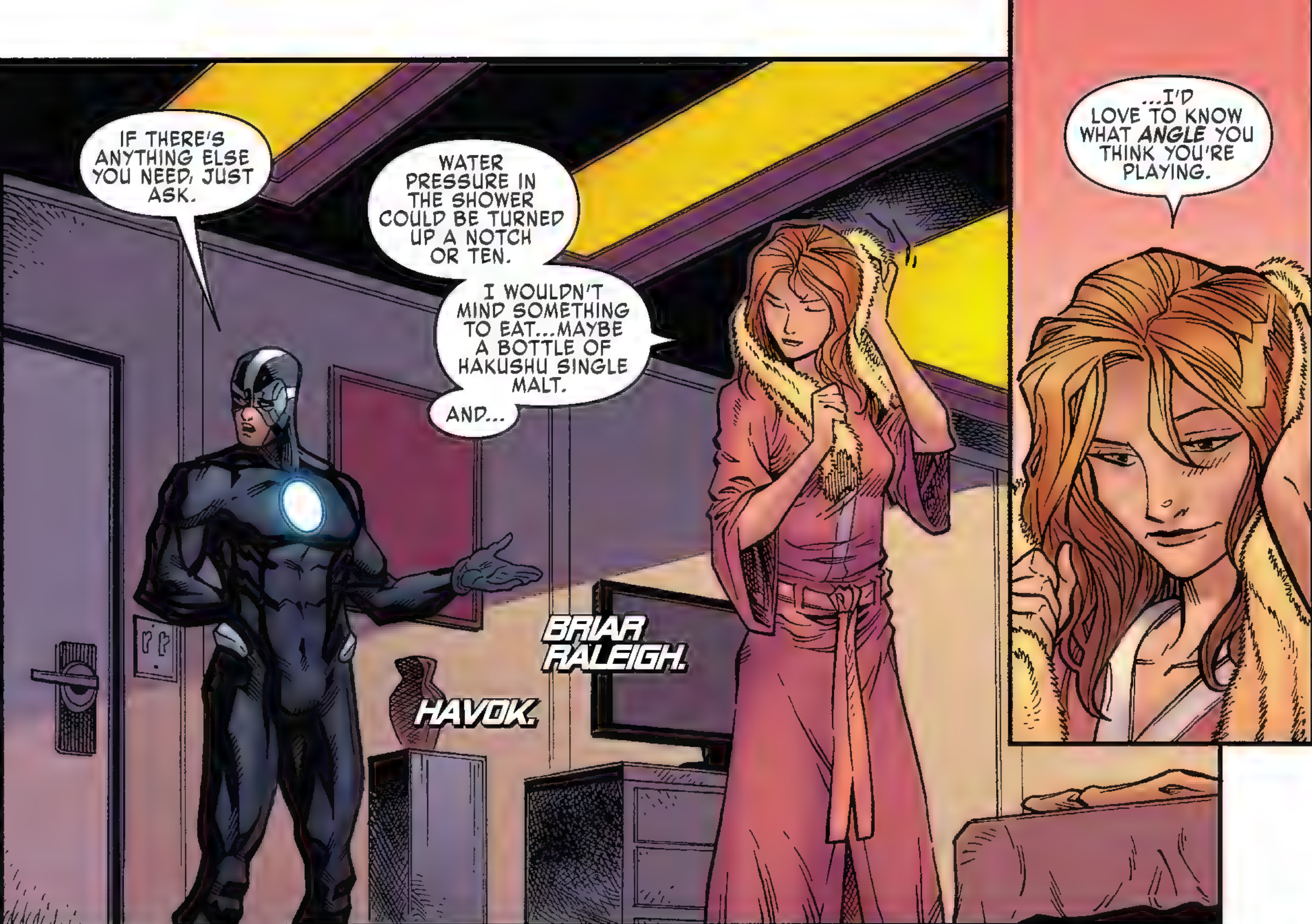
I'M  
THINKING.

I'M MENTALLY  
CATALOGUING  
ALL THE **MEANEST**  
SPELLS I  
KNOW.

BECAUSE  
WHEN WE GET  
LOOSE, I'M CASTING  
EVERY ONE OF THEM  
ON THE PEOPLE  
WHO PUT US  
HERE.

"I TRUST  
YOU FIND THE  
ACCOMMODATIONS  
COMFORTABLE?"



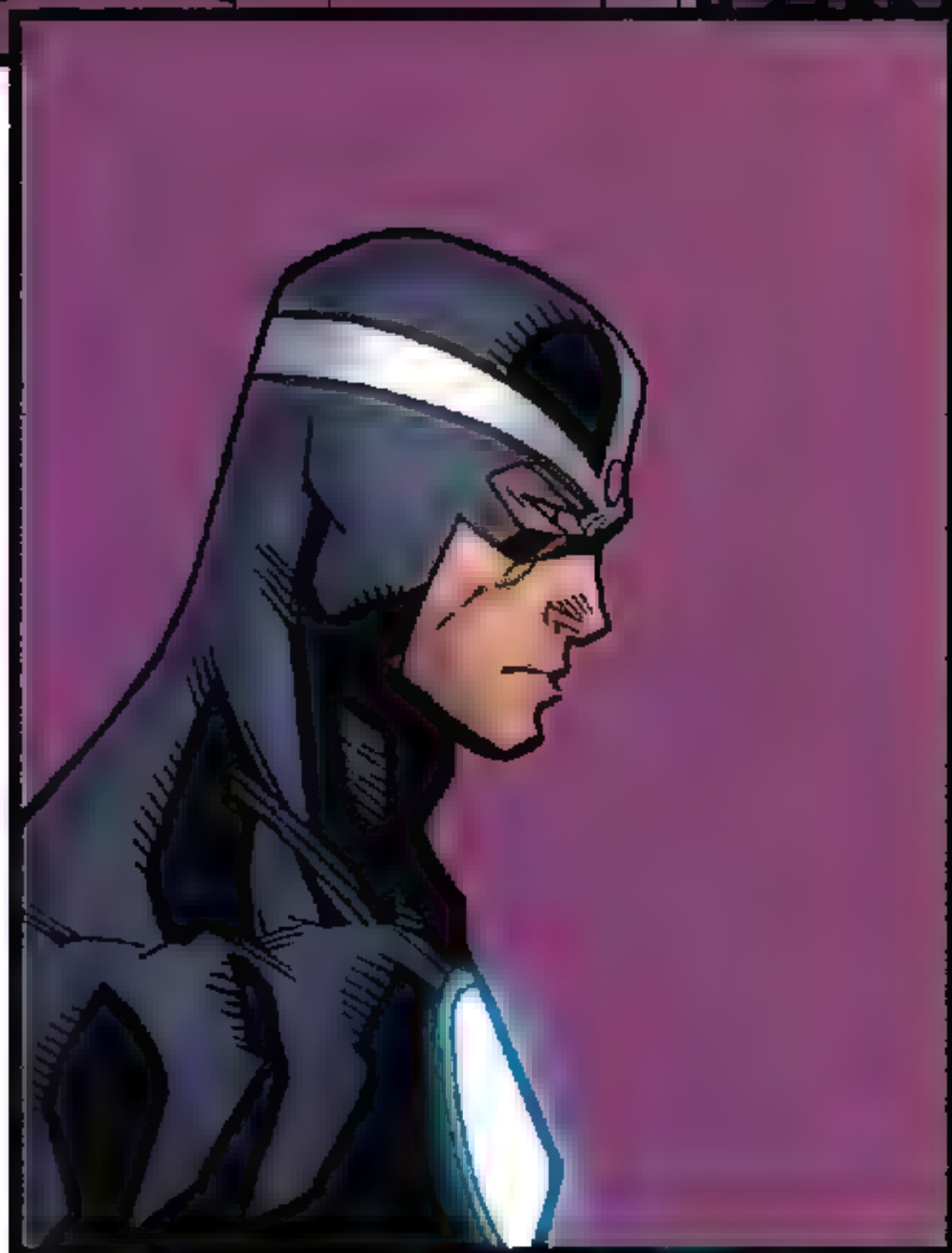




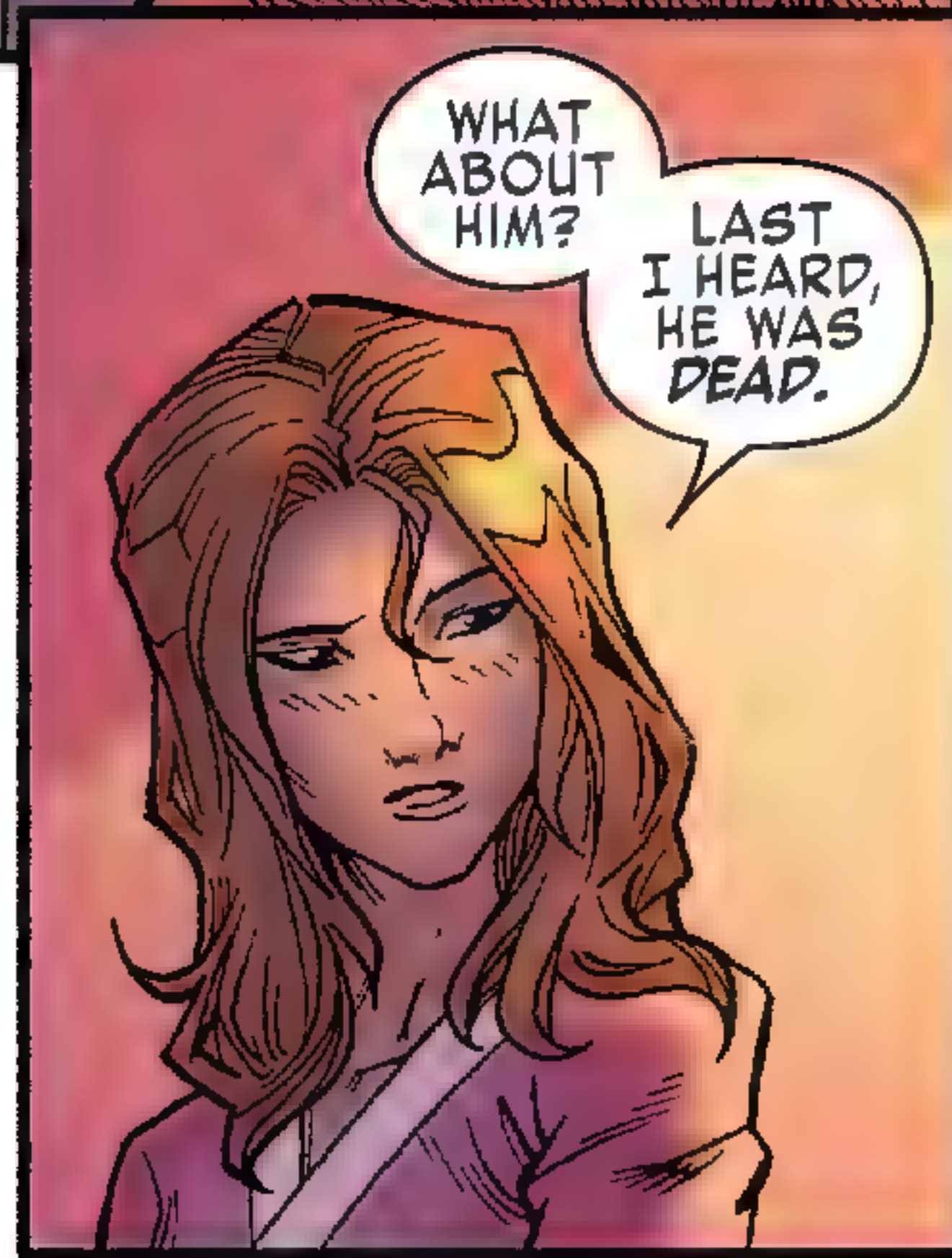


SUBTLETY  
AND SUBTERFUGE  
AREN'T YOUR  
STRONG SUITS,  
HAVOK.

JUST  
SPIT IT  
OUT.

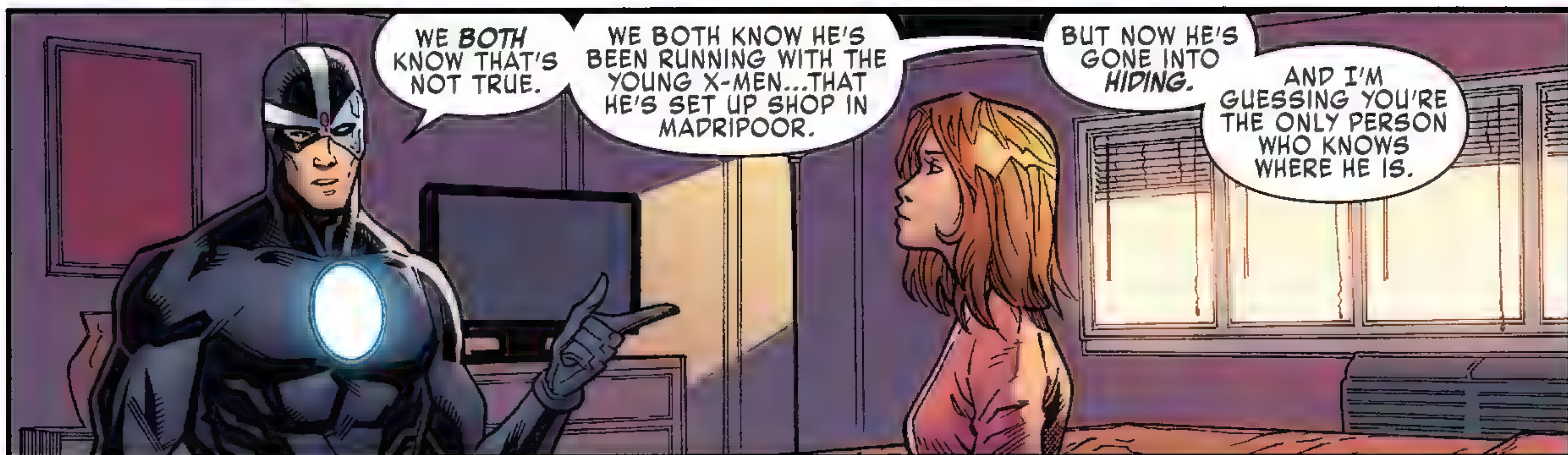


MAGNETO.



WHAT  
ABOUT  
HIM?

LAST  
I HEARD,  
HE WAS  
DEAD.

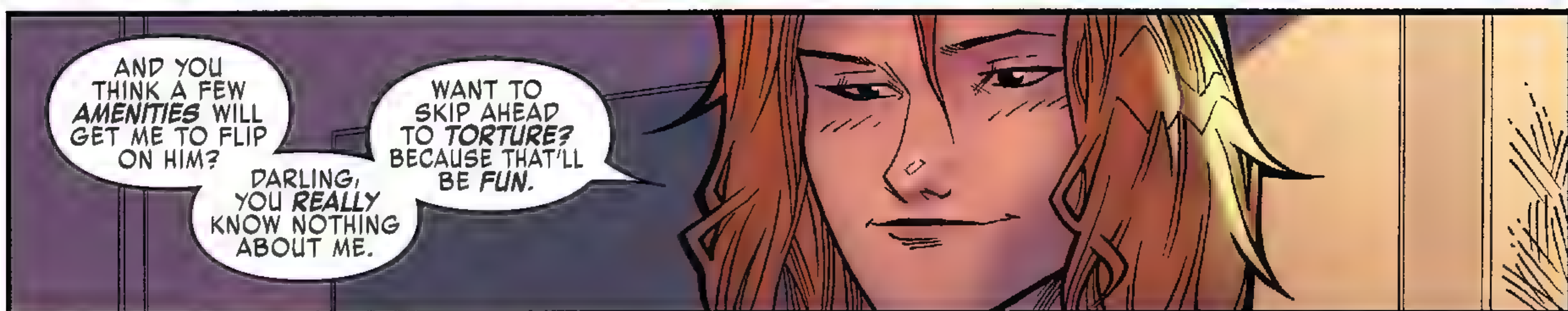


WE *BOTH*  
KNOW THAT'S  
NOT TRUE.

WE BOTH KNOW HE'S  
BEEN RUNNING WITH THE  
YOUNG X-MEN...THAT  
HE'S SET UP SHOP IN  
MADRIPOOR.

BUT NOW HE'S  
GONE INTO  
HIDING.

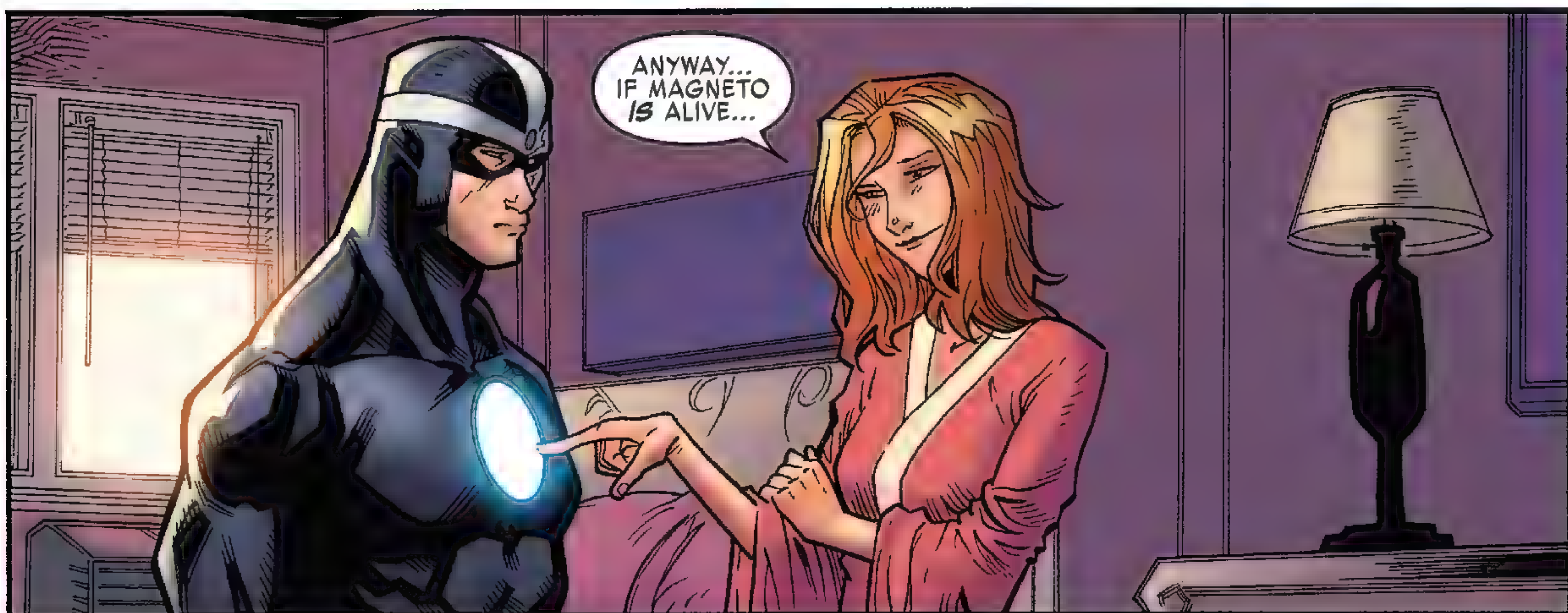
AND I'M  
GUESSING YOU'RE  
THE ONLY PERSON  
WHO KNOWS  
WHERE HE IS.



AND YOU  
THINK A FEW  
*AMENITIES*  
WILL  
GET ME TO FLIP  
ON HIM?

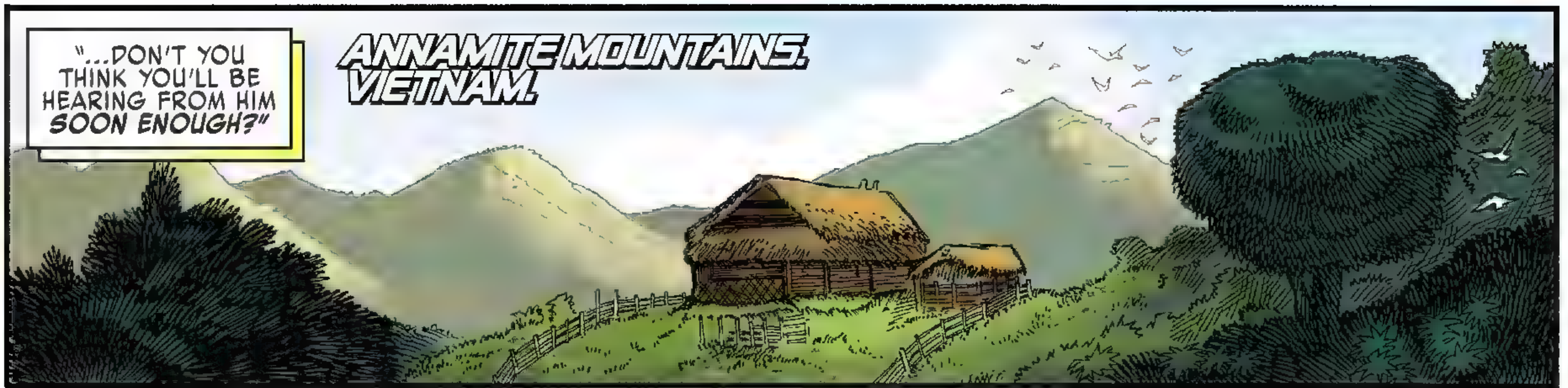
WANT TO  
SKIP AHEAD  
TO *TORTURE*?  
BECAUSE THAT'LL  
BE FUN.

DARLING,  
YOU *REALLY*  
KNOW NOTHING  
ABOUT ME.



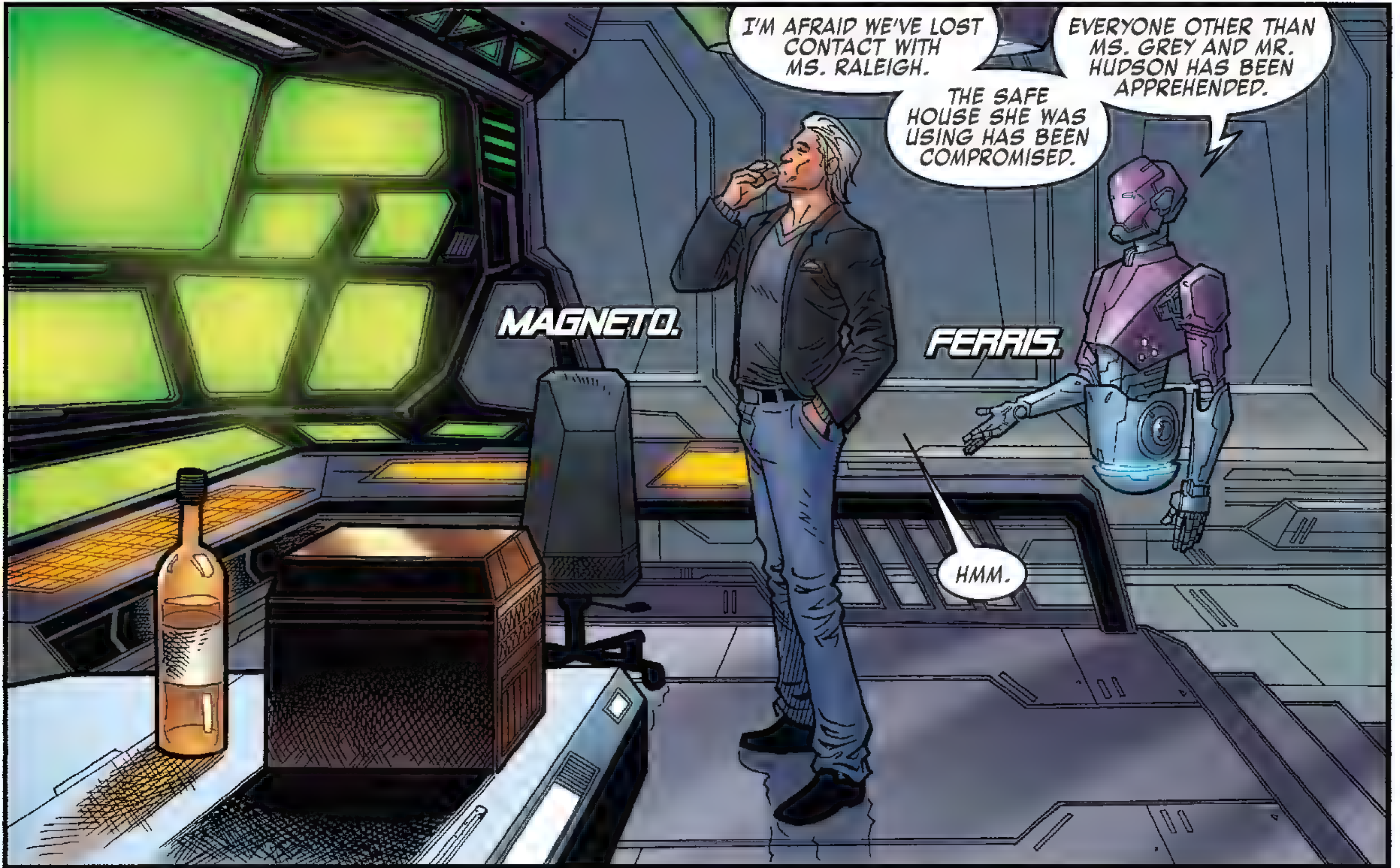
ANYWAY...  
IF MAGNETO  
IS ALIVE...





"...DON'T YOU THINK YOU'LL BE HEARING FROM HIM SOON ENOUGH?"

# ANNAMITE MOUNTAINS, VIETNAM.



I'M AFRAID WE'VE LOST CONTACT WITH MS. RALEIGH.

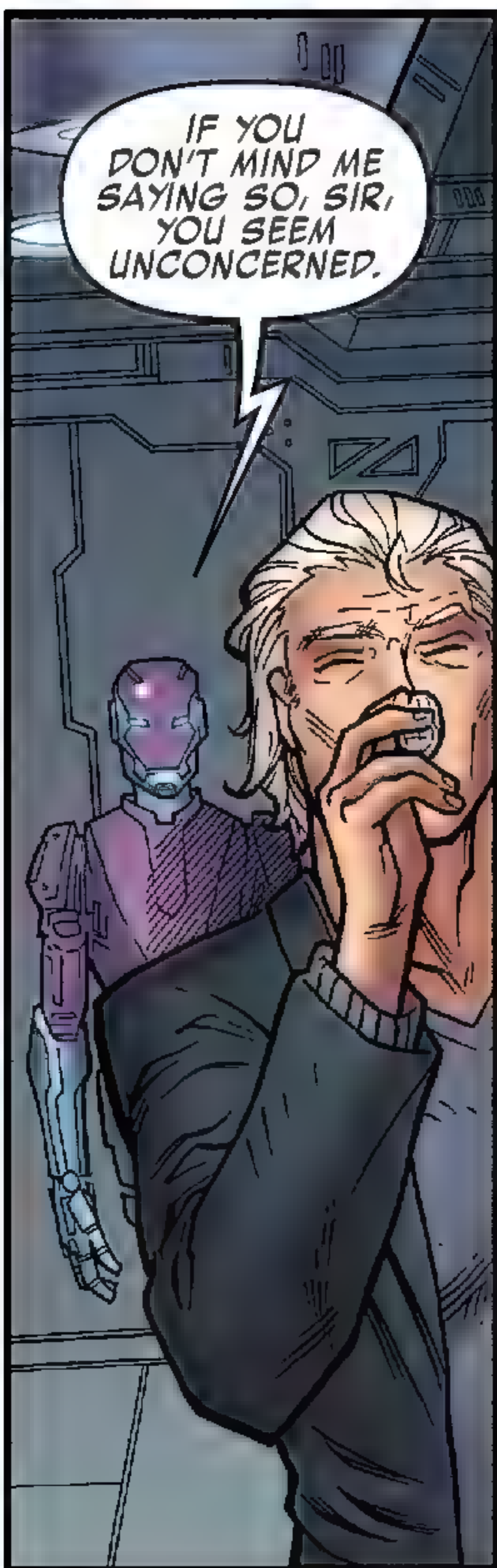
EVERYONE OTHER THAN MS. GREY AND MR. HUDSON HAS BEEN APPREHENDED.

THE SAFE HOUSE SHE WAS USING HAS BEEN COMPROMISED.

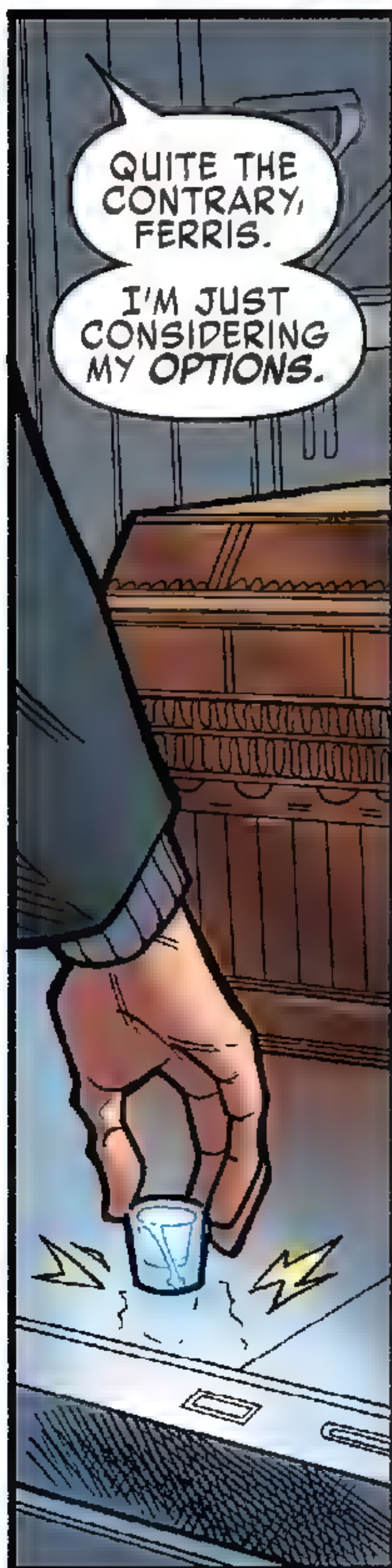
MAGNETO.

FERRIS.

HMM.



IF YOU DON'T MIND ME SAYING SO, SIR, YOU SEEM UNCONCERNED.



QUITE THE CONTRARY, FERRIS.

I'M JUST CONSIDERING MY OPTIONS.

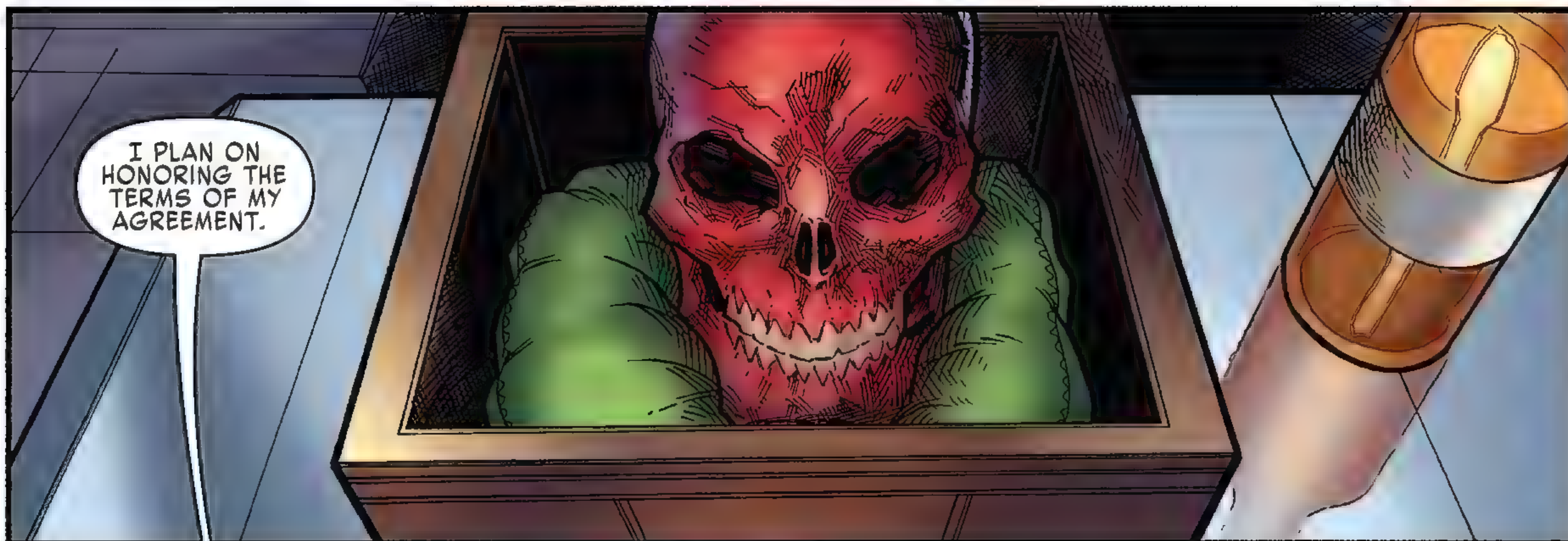


SHOULD I PREPARE YOUR UNIFORM AND HELMET, SIR?

THAT WON'T BE NECESSARY.

I MADE A **PROMISE** THAT I WOULD STAY OUT OF THE AFFAIRS OF HYDRA'S AMERICA AND NEW TIAN.



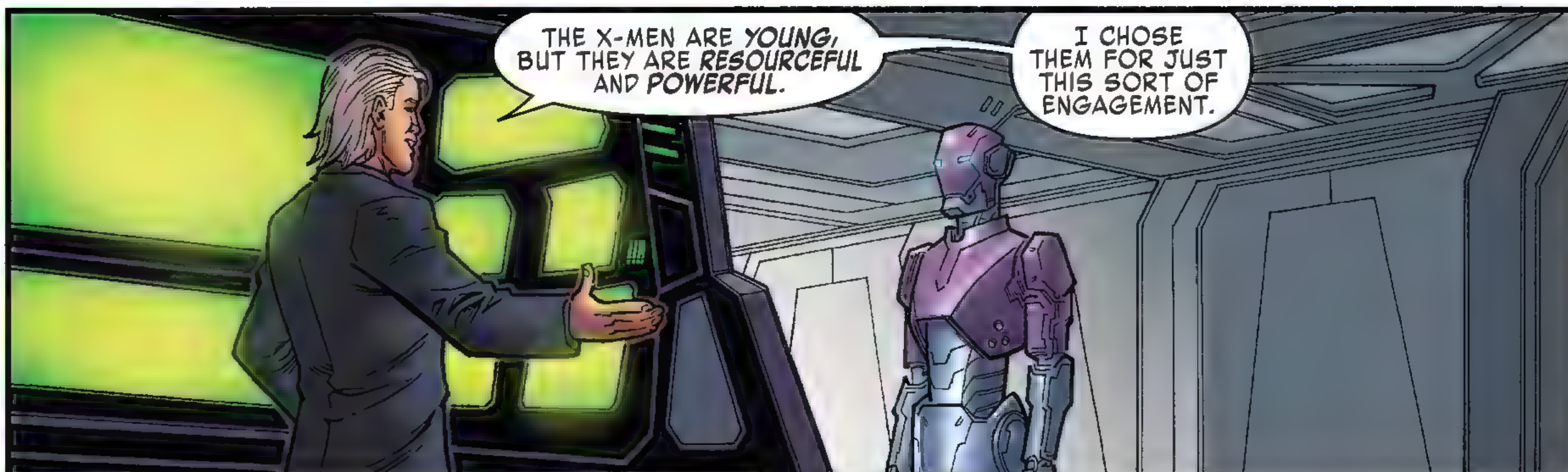


I PLAN ON  
HONORING THE  
TERMS OF MY  
AGREEMENT.



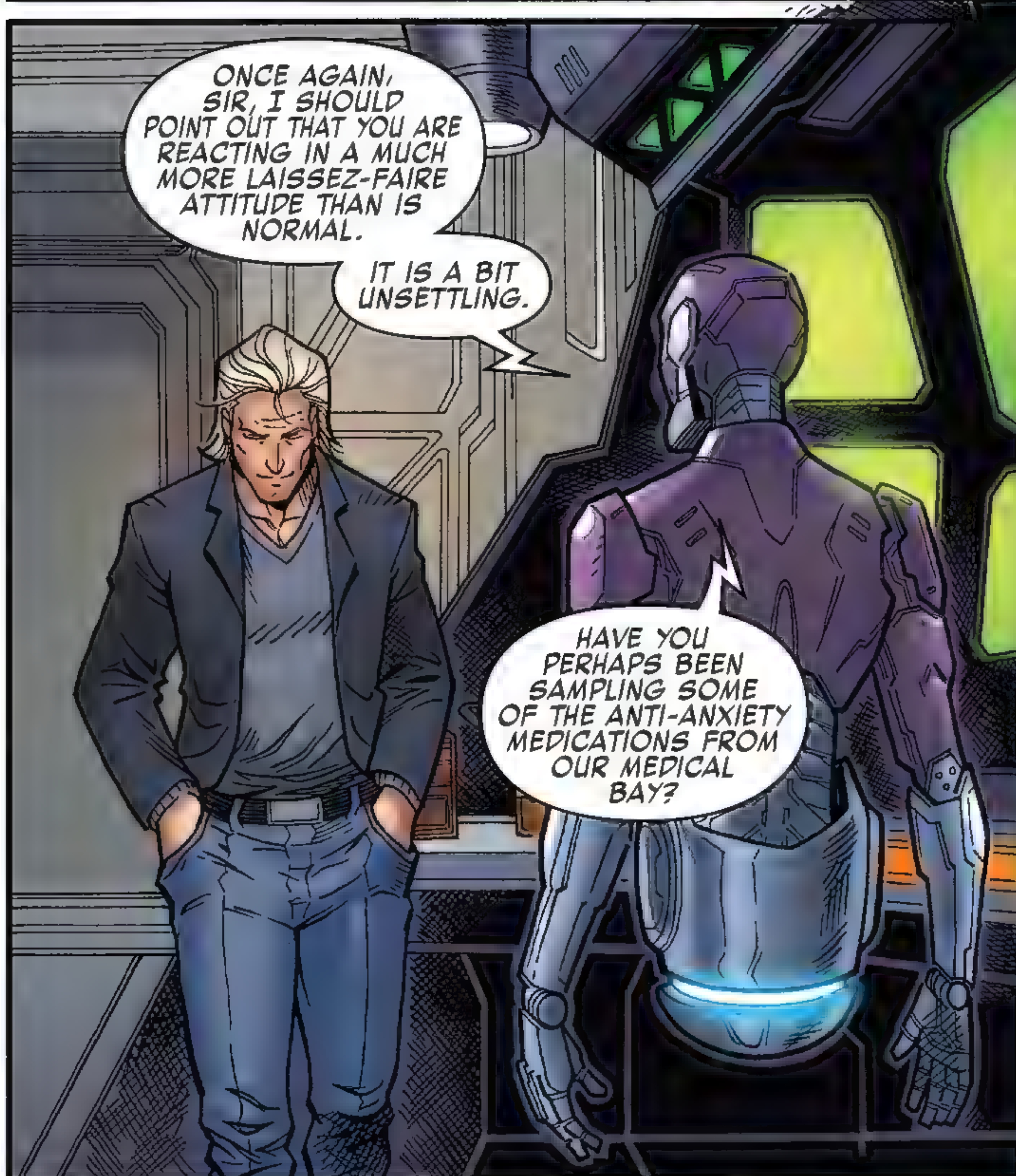
CLK

AND THE  
X-MEN?



THE X-MEN ARE YOUNG,  
BUT THEY ARE RESOURCEFUL  
AND POWERFUL.

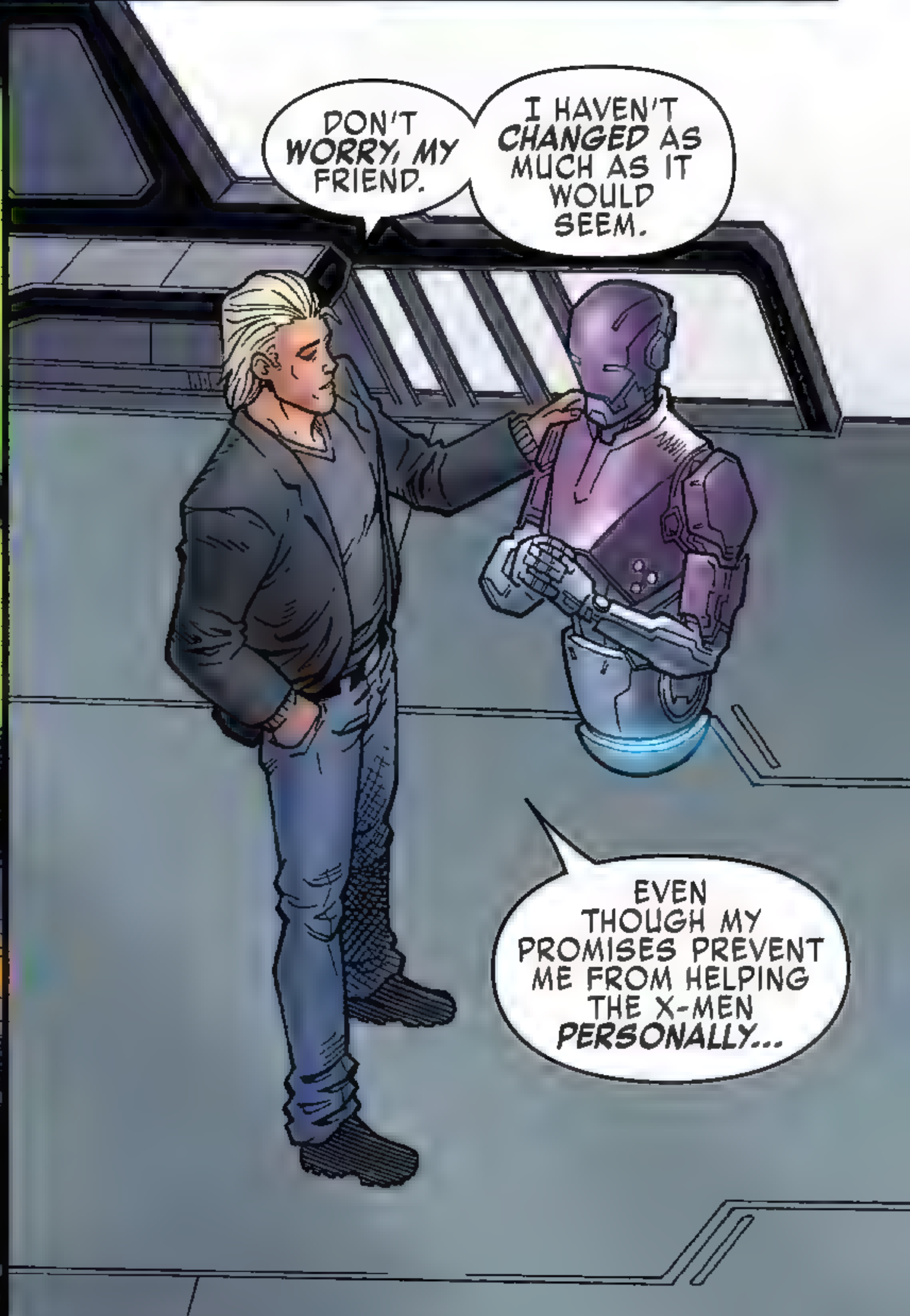
I CHOSE  
THEM FOR JUST  
THIS SORT OF  
ENGAGEMENT.



ONCE AGAIN,  
SIR, I SHOULD  
POINT OUT THAT YOU ARE  
REACTING IN A MUCH  
MORE LAISSEZ-FAIRE  
ATTITUDE THAN IS  
NORMAL.

IT IS A BIT  
UNSETTLING.

HAVE YOU  
PERHAPS BEEN  
SAMPLING SOME  
OF THE ANTI-ANXIETY  
MEDICATIONS FROM  
OUR MEDICAL  
BAY?



DON'T  
WORRY, MY  
FRIEND.

I HAVEN'T  
CHANGED AS  
MUCH AS IT  
WOULD  
SEEM.

EVEN  
THOUGH MY  
PROMISES PREVENT  
ME FROM HELPING  
THE X-MEN  
PERSONALLY...



"...I HAVE ARRANGED  
FOR THEM TO HAVE  
MORE-THAN-ADEQUATE  
SUPPORT WHEN THE  
TIME COMES."



HELLO?  
ARE YOU  
THERE?

HEY,  
BLACKBIRD?

I AM  
NOT PERSONAL  
ASSISTANCE  
SOFTWARE.

TREAT ME  
AS SUCH AND  
I'LL EJECT  
YOU.

ALL  
RIGHT, YEAH.  
SORRY.

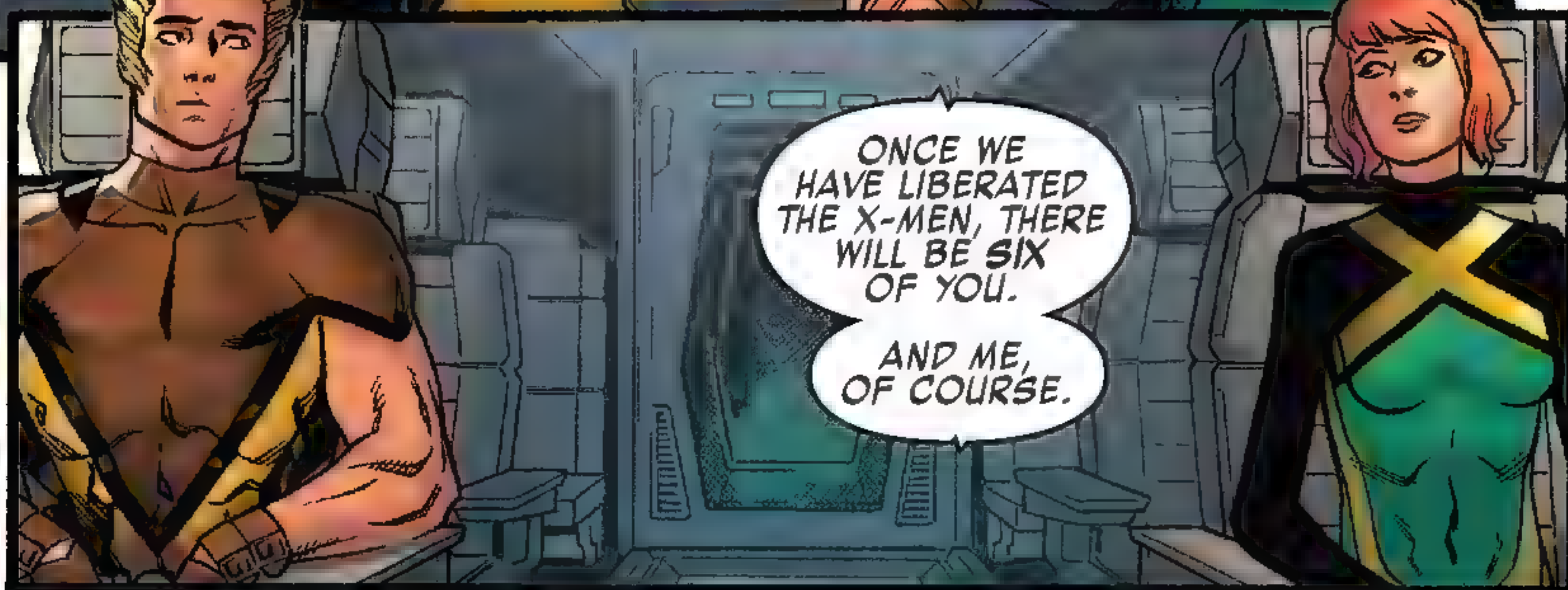
BUT MAYBE  
YOU'D LIKE TO  
TELL US WHERE  
YOU'RE TAKING  
US?



I'D  
SAY IT'S  
OBVIOUS.

WE'RE  
GOING ON  
A RESCUE  
MISSION.

JUST  
THE TWO  
OF US?



ONCE WE  
HAVE LIBERATED  
THE X-MEN, THERE  
WILL BE SIX  
OF YOU.

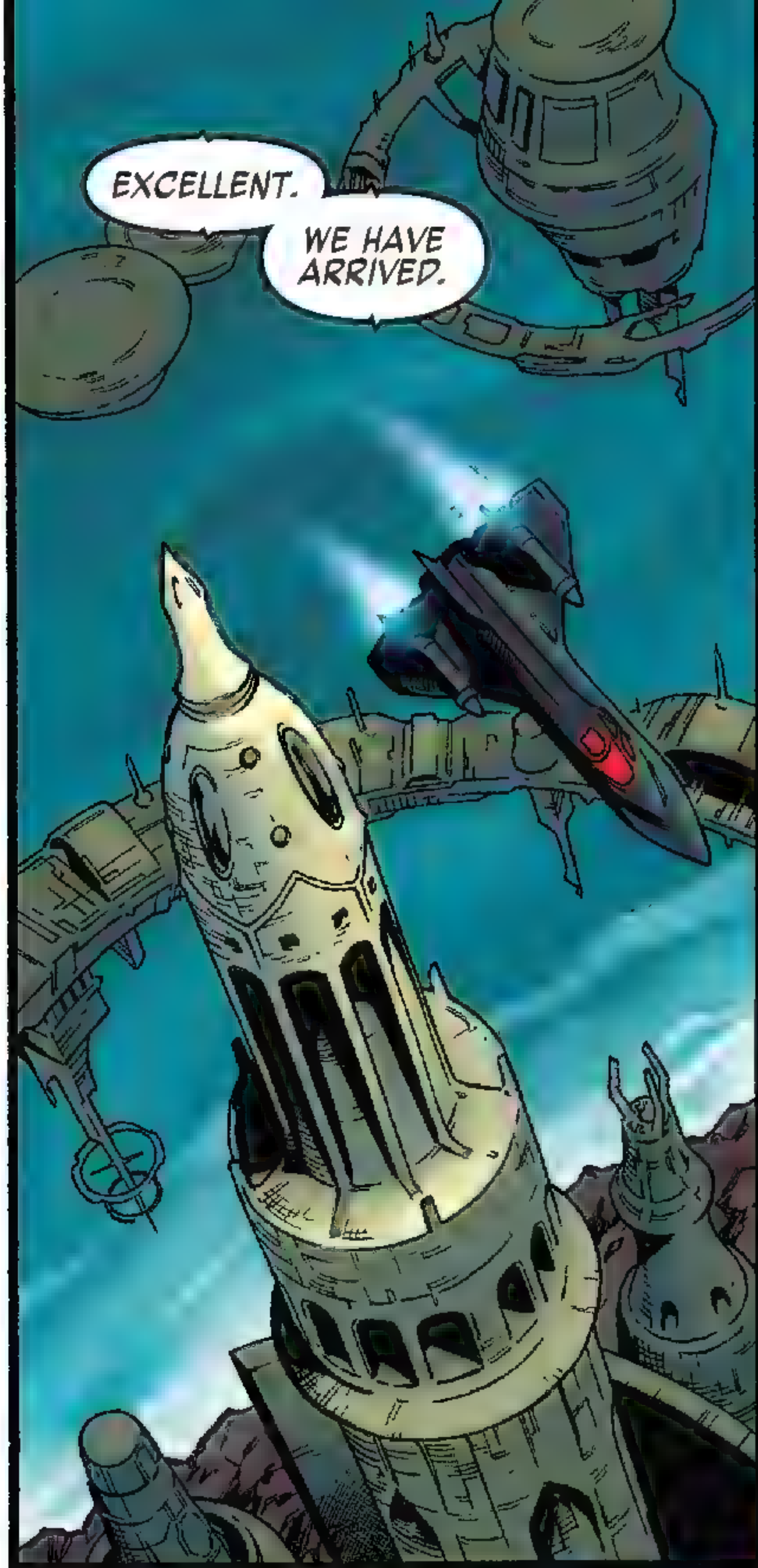
AND ME,  
OF COURSE.



WELL,  
ALL RIGHT,  
THEN.

LET'S  
GO GET  
OUR BOYS  
BACK.





EXCELLENT.

WE HAVE  
ARRIVED.



I'M TRYING  
TO SCAN FOR  
SCOTT AND THE  
OTHERS.

THE WHOLE  
PLACE IS SORT  
OF A DEAD ZONE,  
THOUGH.

THE  
WHITE QUEEN  
HAS THROWN SOME  
SORT OF PSYCHIC  
INTERFERENCE  
OVER THE WHOLE  
PLACE.

I'LL DO  
WHAT I CAN  
TO *SNIFF*  
THEM OUT.

IF NOTHING  
ELSE, I SHOULD  
BE ABLE TO PICK  
UP ON ANGEL'S  
EXPENSIVE  
HAIR GEL.



BUT WE'RE  
GONNA HAVE TO  
FIGHT OUR WAY  
THROUGH SOME  
HELLFIRE  
FLUNKIES!



TRY  
NOT TO KILL  
ANYONE, ALL  
RIGHT?

DO ME  
A FAVOR,  
WILL YA?

STOP  
COMPARING ME  
TO THE GUY YOU  
THINK OF AS MY  
DAD. I DON'T  
REMEMBER  
HIM.

AND I'M  
DOING MY BEST  
TO BE MY OWN  
MAN.





JEAN AND...  
WOLVERINE? DAKEN?  
WHOEVER YOU  
ARE...

...THIS  
ISN'T GOING  
TO END  
WELL.

STOP THIS  
ATTACK AND  
WE CAN ALL  
TALK THIS  
OUT!

**FIRESTAR.**



**WOLFSBANE.**

LISTEN  
TO HER!

IF YE  
INSIST ON  
FIGHTING, WE'LL  
BE FORCED  
TO HURT  
YOU!

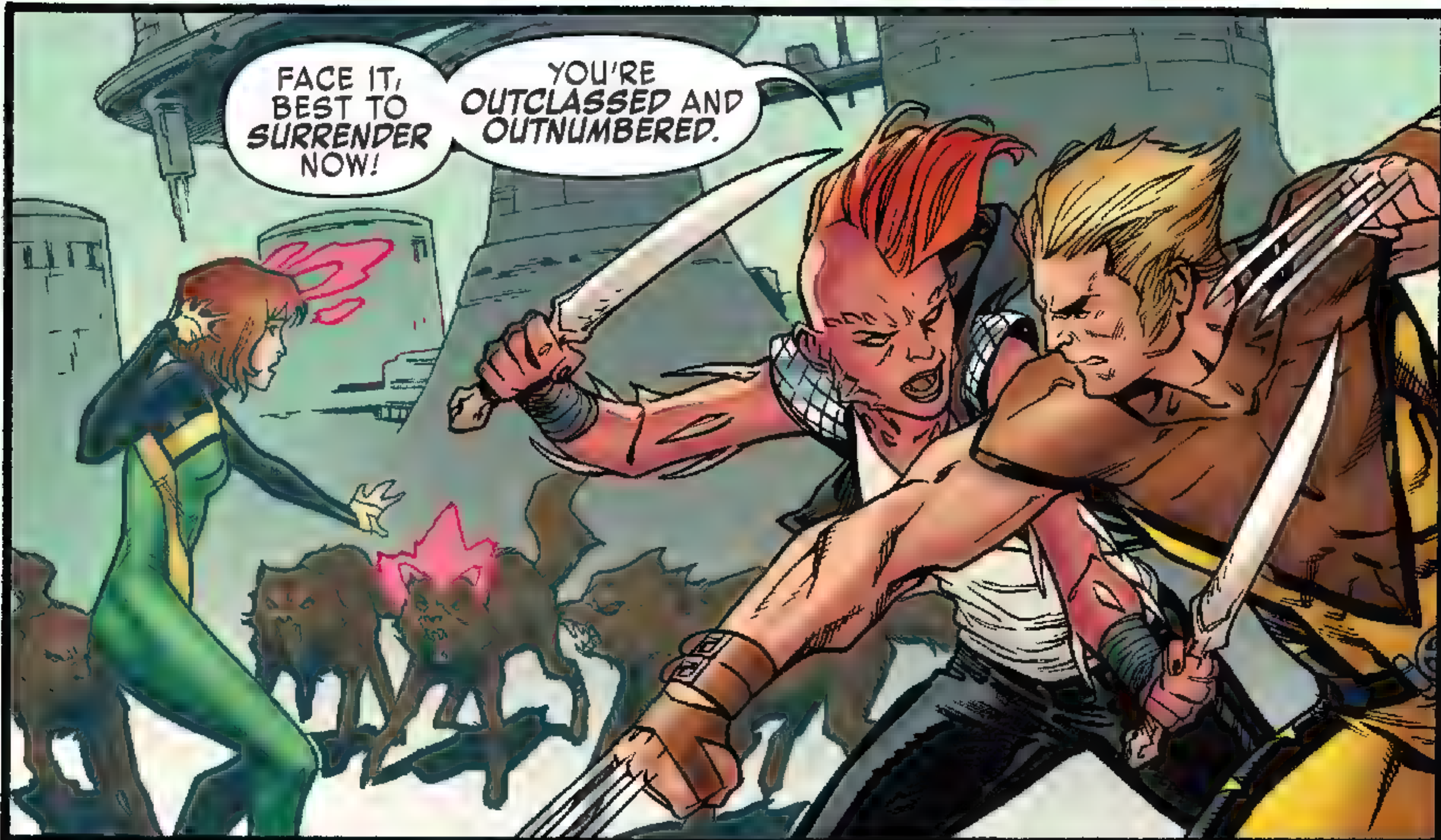
SAVE  
YOUR BREATH,  
RAHNE!

X-MEN ARE  
NOTORIOUSLY  
HARDHEADED!

**MARROW.**



I KNOW.



FACE IT,  
BEST TO  
SURRENDER  
NOW!

YOU'RE  
OUTCLASSED AND  
OUTNUMBERED.



I...  
WOULDN'T BE  
TOO SURE OF  
THAT!





IT'S...  
...IT'S THE  
X-MEN!



WHERE DID THEY  
COME FROM?  
THEY--  
--THEY  
DON'T HAVE  
A SCENT!



NO  
THOUGHTS,  
EITHER!  
THEY'RE  
NOT REAL!  
THEY'RE  
ILLUSIONS!



YES,  
YES.  
PERHAPS  
INSTEAD OF  
STANDING AROUND  
SLACK-JAWED, YOU  
SHOULD USE THIS  
MOMENT TO SLIP  
PAST THE  
GUARDS.



ALL THIS  
TIME...  
...THE  
BLACKBIRD...  
...YOU  
WERE--





**DANGER.**  
THE DANGER ROOM  
IN ROBOT FORM.

GO  
NOW.  
SAVE YOUR  
FRIENDS.



IF IT HELPS,  
CONSIDER THIS A  
TRAINING EXERCISE.



YOUR PLANE  
JUST TURNED  
INTO A WOMAN AND  
STARTED BEATING  
PEOPLE UP.



I HATE TO  
SAY IT, BUT  
THAT'S PROBABLY  
NOT THE WEIRDEST  
THING WE'LL  
SEE TODAY.

COME  
ON.

START  
SNIFFING  
OUT OUR  
TEAMMATES!

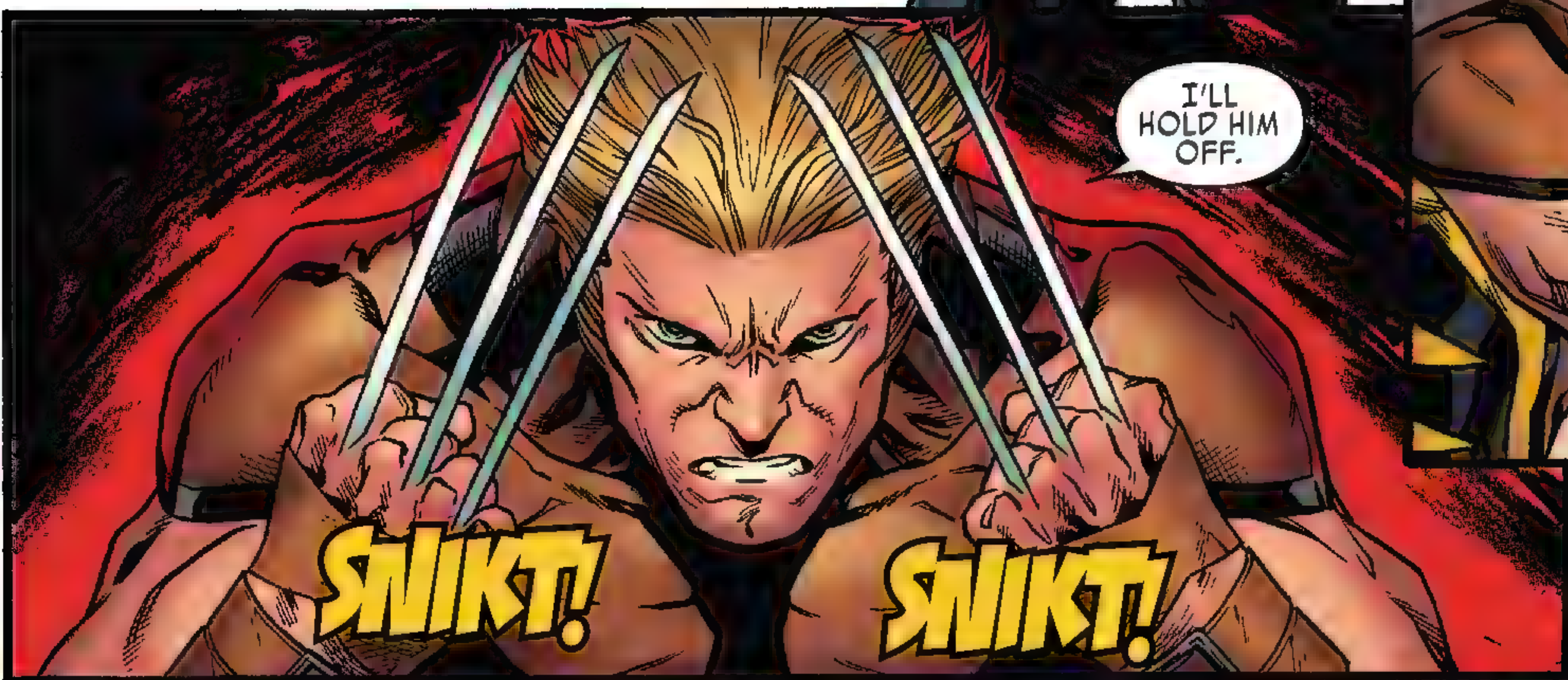




I'M SORRY, JEANNIE.  
I DON'T THINK I CAN ALLOW YOU TO DO THAT.

I NEED YOU TO **STAND DOWN**. IF YOU DON'T, I'LL MAKE DAMN SURE I FINISH YOU OFF THIS TIME.

JEAN-- FIND THE OTHERS!  
I'VE GOT THIS!



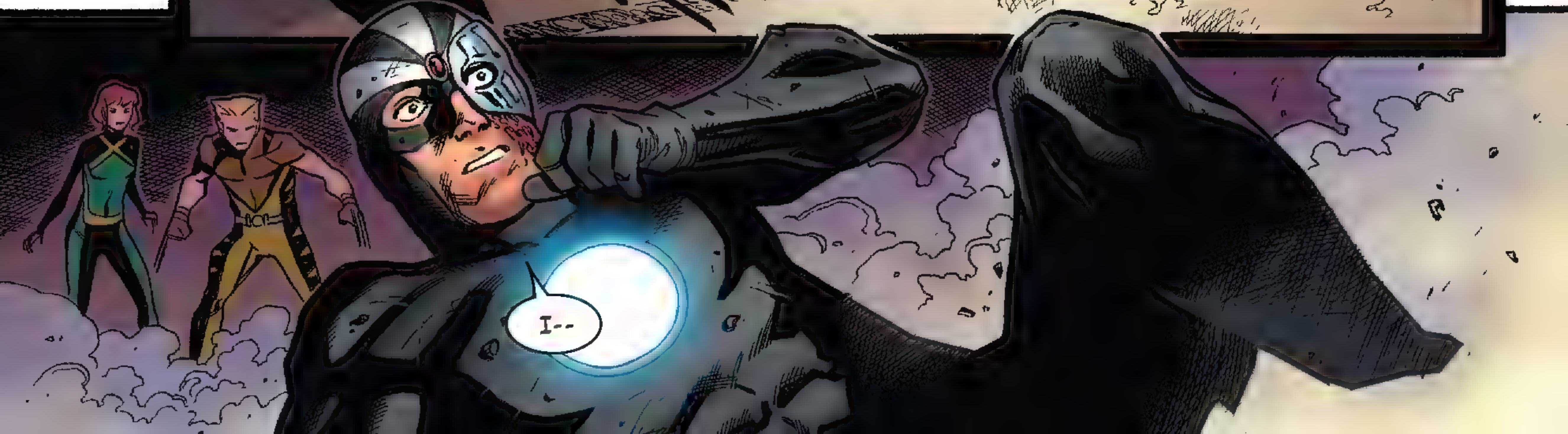
I'LL HOLD HIM OFF.

**SNIKT!**

**SNIKT!**



**SHRIMP THOOOON!**



I--



A full-page comic book illustration of Polaris, the daughter of Magneto. She is a woman with long, flowing blonde hair, wearing a green and black costume with a matching helmet. She stands in a rocky, desolate landscape with a large, swirling blue energy vortex in the background. In the bottom left corner, a blue, crystalline hand reaches up towards her. The scene is filled with floating rocks and debris.

HEY,  
ALEX.

LONG  
TIME NO  
SEE.

I HATE TO  
SAY IT, BUT  
THIS IS GOING  
TO BE A PAINFUL  
REUNION.

**POLARIS.**  
DAUGHTER  
OF MAGNETO.

**TO BE  
CONTINUED!**



JIM LEE

X-MEN  
TRADING  
CARD  
VARIANT  
COVER  
GALLERY



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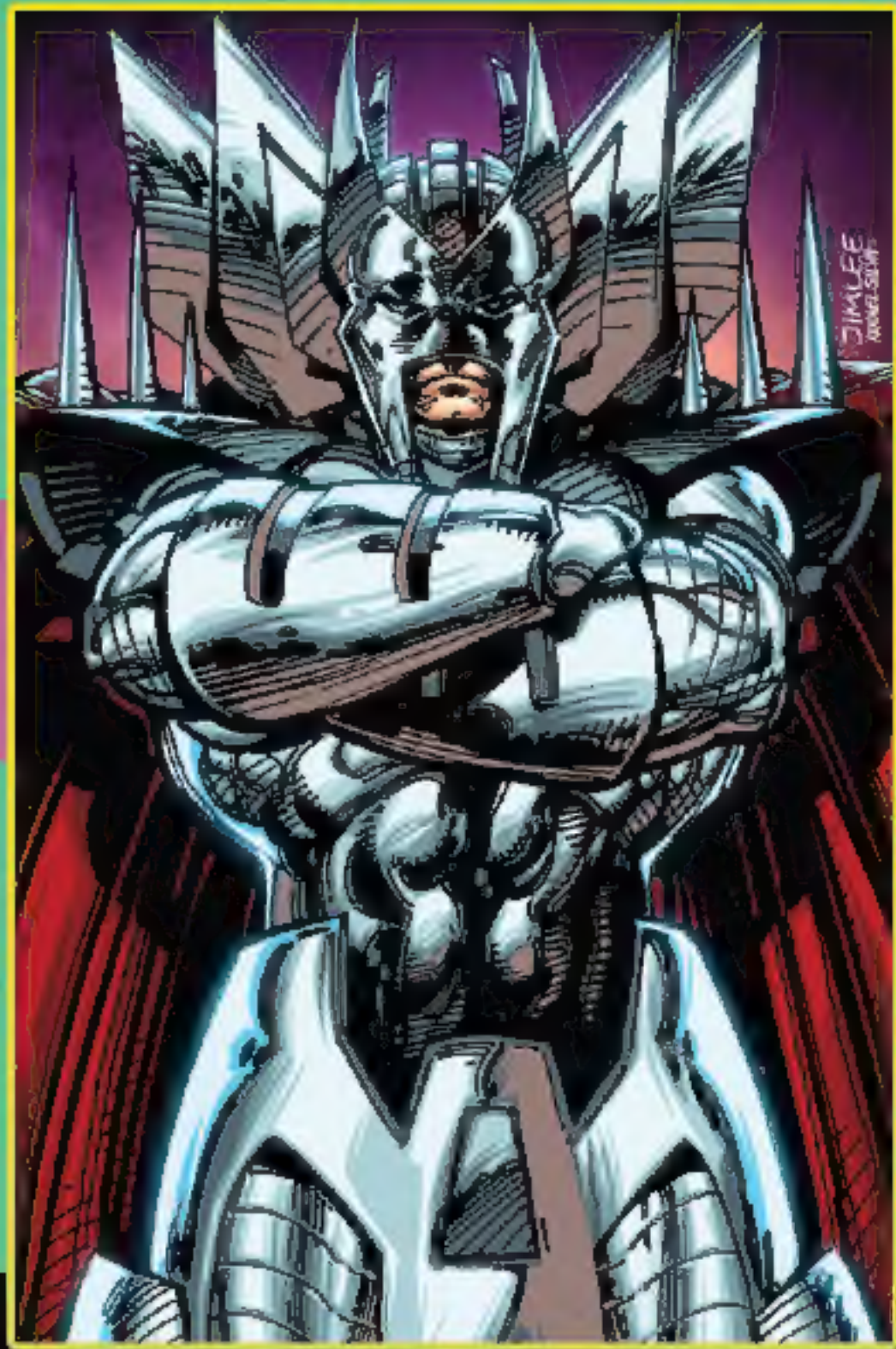


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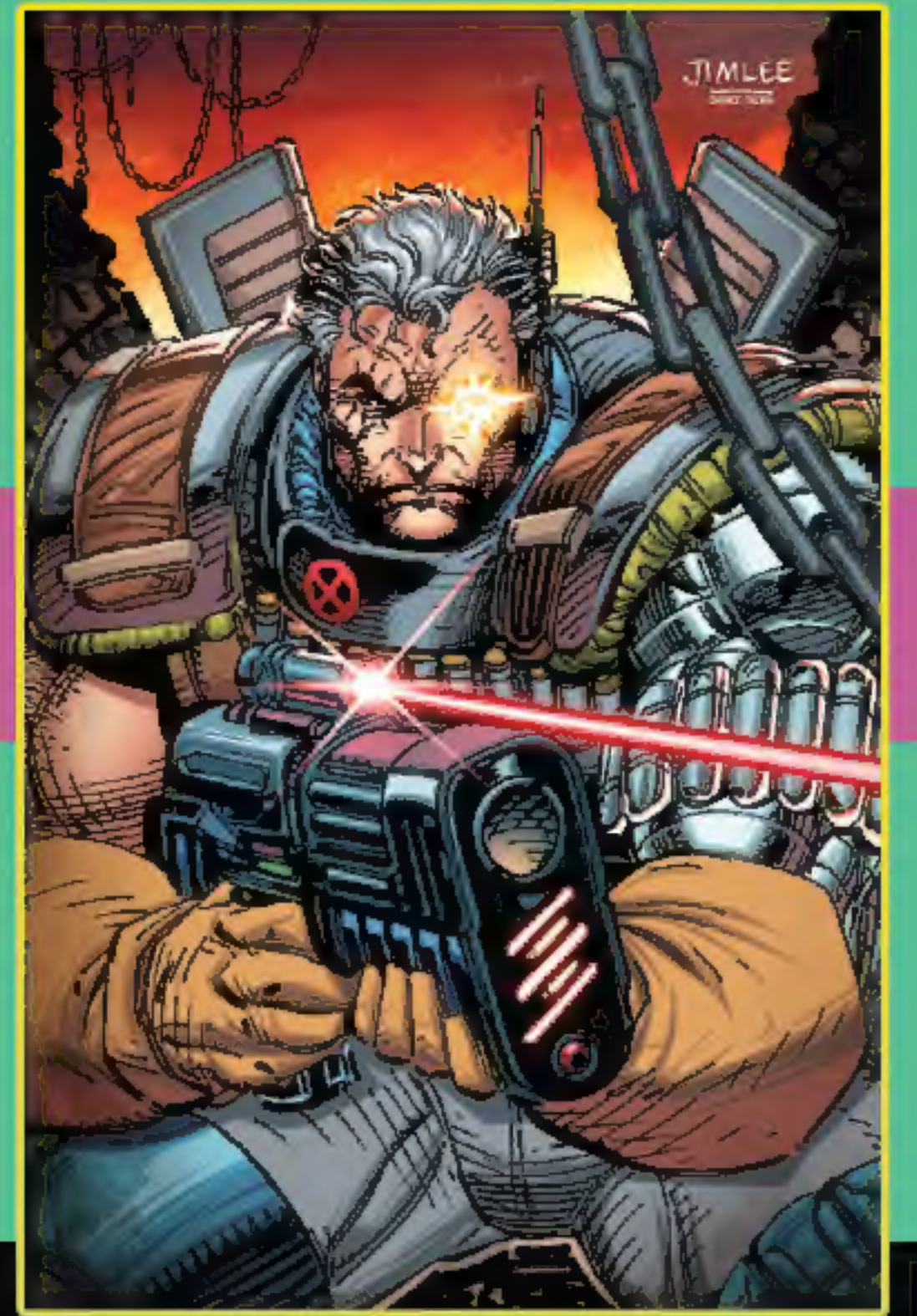
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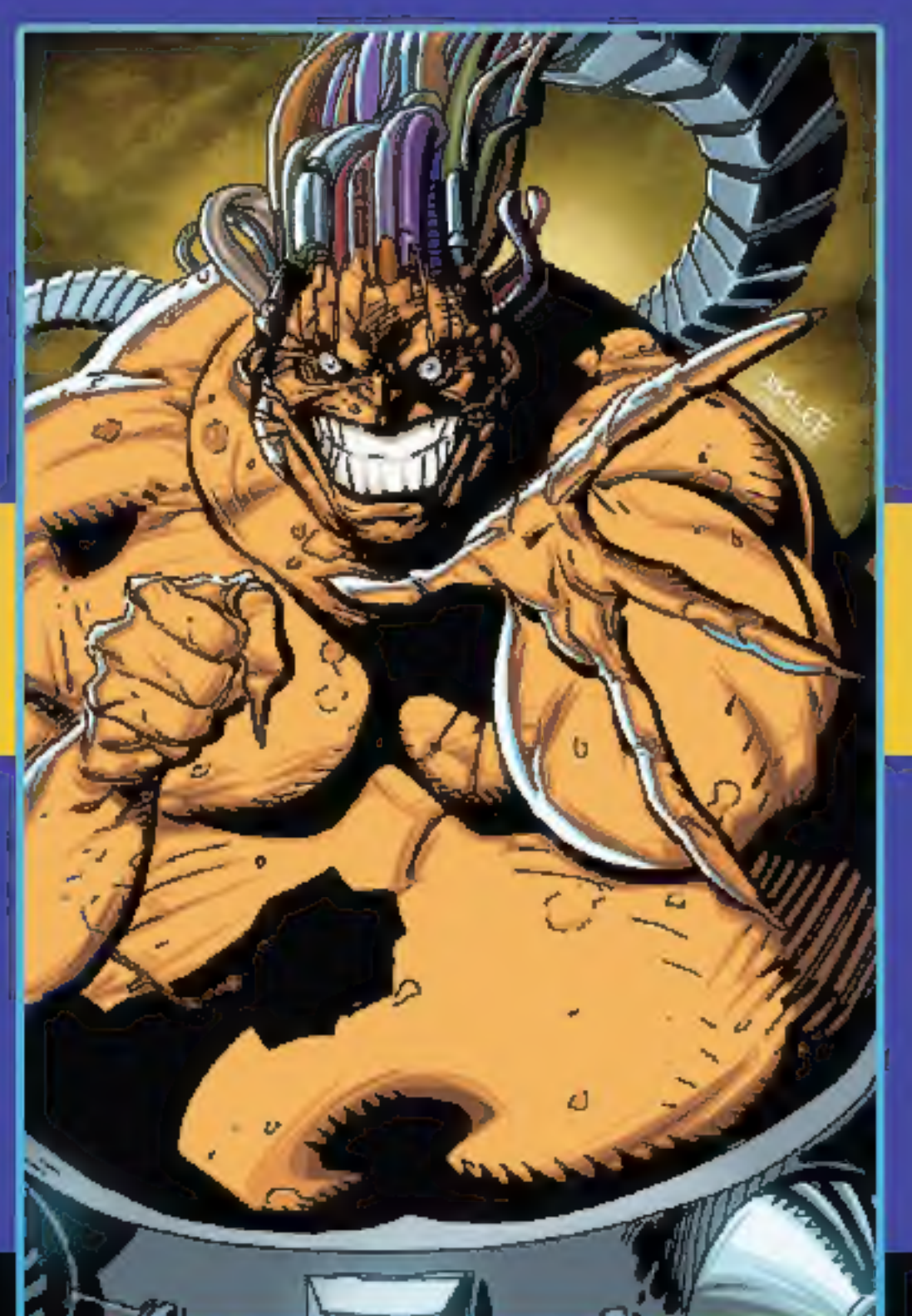
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# HOUSE OF X

This month we have something really special debuting. That's right, the return of **ASTONISHING X-MEN**--this time written by the extraordinary Charles Soule with an oversized first issue illustrated by the incredibly talented Jim Cheung.

Why **ASTONISHING** and why now? Charles had a pitch for a very ambitious X-Men story that we just couldn't turn down. But where would it go? We already had two flagship titles with **BLUE** and **GOLD**. Enter **ASTONISHING X-MEN**, a maxi-series that gives Charles the room to tell this huge story that will indeed change the landscape of the X-Men's world.

This first issue takes fan-favorites such as Psylocke, Rogue, Gambit, Fantomex, Archangel and Old Man Logan to the Astral Plane where some popular corners of the X-Men's world will be visited. Over the course of the series, major players will be revealed along with some shocking surprises. You're not going to believe what comes out of this. Each issue is drawn by a top-industry artist, with Mike Deodato Jr. next up to bat with one of the strangest X-Men stories ever told!

So while I know that we have some amazing X-Men books already on the stands, treat yourself to the first issue of this book. You won't be disappointed. Issue one of **ASTONISHING X-MEN** is on sale **NOW!**

## **X-MEN GOLD:**

By Marc Guggenheim and R.B. Silva. Kitty Pryde takes charge and leads a new team into a heroic age!  
*Issue #9!*

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By Cullen Bunn and Cory Smith. The time-displaced original five join their greatest enemy, Magneto. Evil mutants, you're toast!  
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## **OLD MAN LOGAN:**

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By Charles Soule and a murderers' row of chart-topping and up-and-coming artists. Fan-favorite characters battle one of the X-Men's most dangerous foes!  
*Issue #2!*

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